自画像
jigazou

僕は自他ともに認める"ばあちゃん子"です。
幼い頃はいつでも絵を描いて、ばあちゃんに
見せるのが日課でした。何を描いても
「公治は絵が上手いねェ」と誉められるのが
うれしくて、必死になって描いているうちに
とうとう漫画家にまでなってしまいました。
こうしてコミックスが出せるのも僕を信じてくれた
ばあちゃんのおかげだと思ってます。

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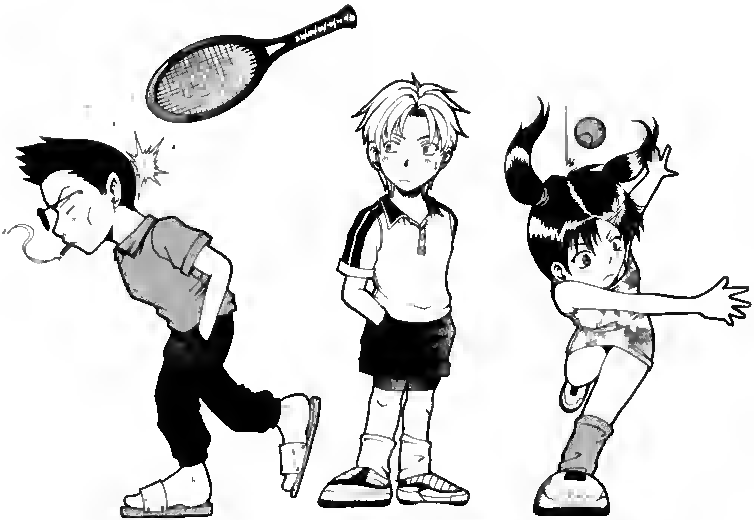

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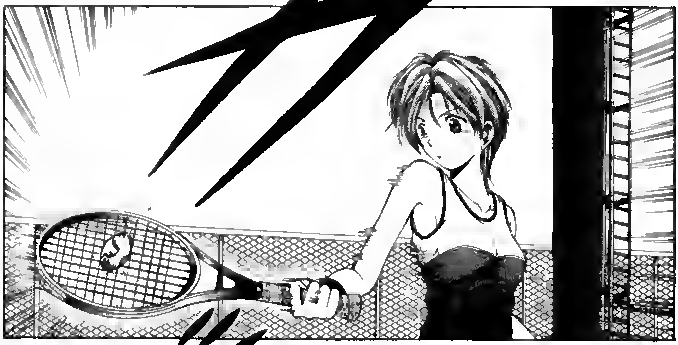

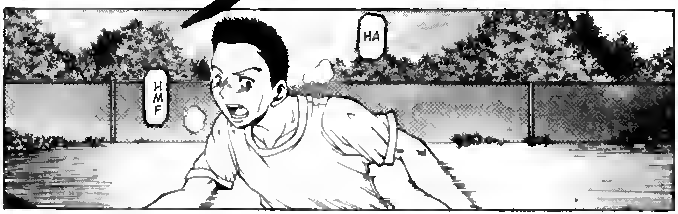
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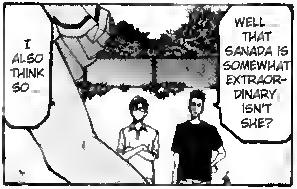
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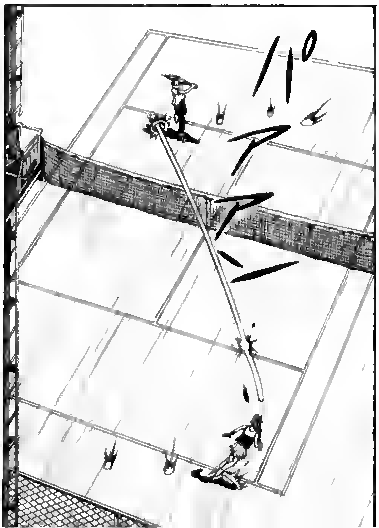
I ALSO THINK SO...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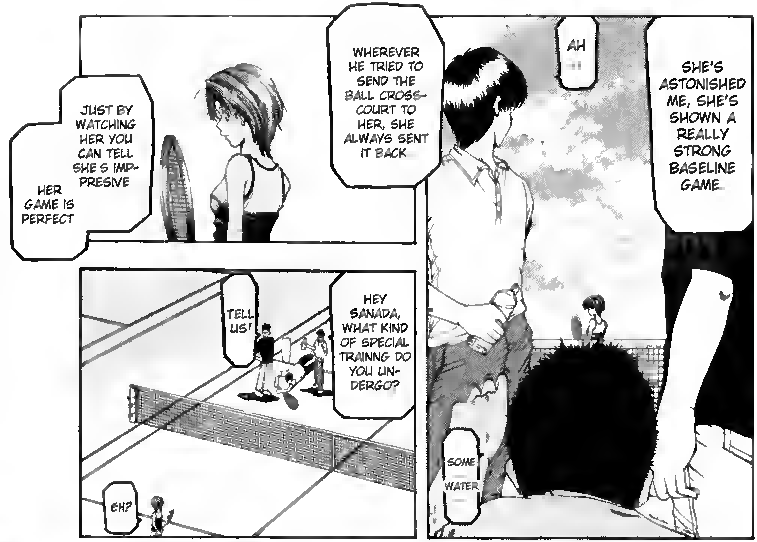
IF I STEP TO THE NET AS USUAL, IT SHOULD BE OK,
BUT TODAY, BECAUSE OF HER RETURNS
I'M ALREADY EXHAUSTED!

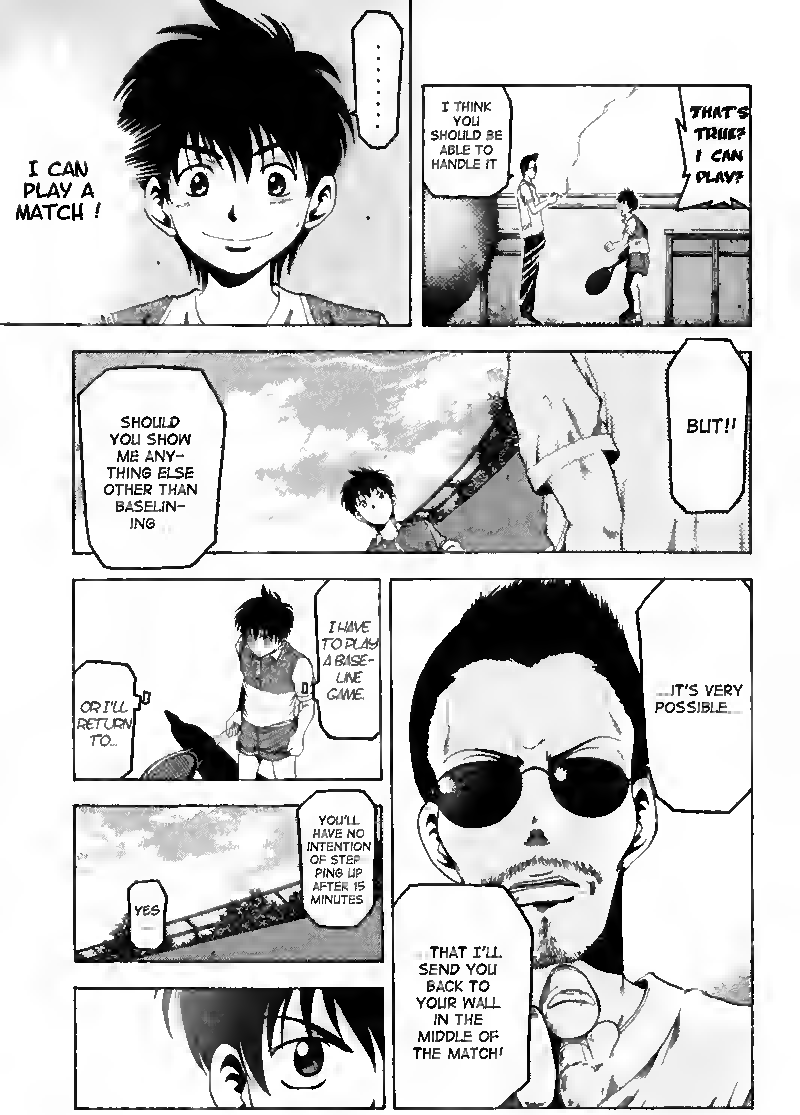
GREAT!
GAME, SET AND MATCH, SANADA!
HEY, ARE YOU ALL RIGHT?
HMF WATER
HMF

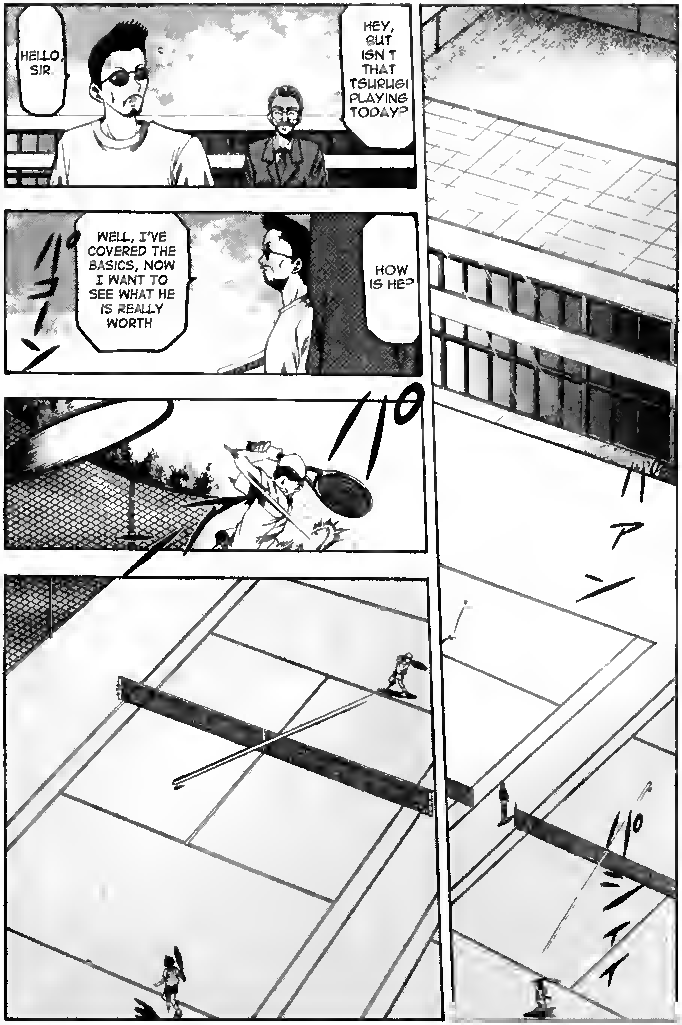

SHE'S ASTONISHED ME, SHE'S SHOWN A REALLY STRONG BASELINE GAME.
AH ..
WHEREVER HE TRIED TO SEND THE BALL CROSS-COURT TO HER, SHE ALWAYS SENT IT BACK.
JUST BY WATCHING HER YOU CAN TELL SHE'S IMPRESIVE
HER GAME IS PERFECT
SOME WATER
HEY SANADA, WHAT KIND OF SPECIAL TRAINING DO YOU UNDERGO?
TELL US!
EH?

IT'S A SECRET!
WHATEVER, IT'S EXCEPTIONNAL...
AND I'M CONQUERED.

.....
I DON'T THINK I'LL EVER BE ABLE TO BECOME A TENNIS PLAYER LIKE MY FATHER...
UWAH!
YOU CAN TELL HE DOESN'T LIKE LOSING.
WHO DOES HE GET THAT FROM...

WHAT ?!
HA
HA
HA
IT'S BORING TO PLAY BALL WITH A WALL
HOW ABOUT PLAYING AGAINST A HUMAN INSTEAD?
HEY?
TODAY, THERE'S A MATCH
WANNA TRY?
A...A MATCH ?


I CAN PLAY A MATCH !
.....
I THINK YOU SHOULD BE ABLE TO HANDLE IT
THAT'S TRUE? I CAN PLAY?
SHOULD YOU SHOW ME ANY-THING ELSE OTHER THAN BASELIN-ING
BUT!!
I HAVE TO PLAY A BASE-LINE GAME.
OR I'LL RETURN TO..
...IT'S VERY POSSIBLE...
YOU'LL HAVE NO INTENTION OF STEP PING UP AFTER 15 MINUTES
YES
...THAT I'LL SEND YOU BACK TO YOUR WALL IN THE MIDDLE OF THE MATCH!


HELLO, SIR.
HEY, BUT ISN'T THAT TSUBUGI PLAYING TODAY?
WELL, I'VE COVERED THE BASICS, NOW I WANT TO SEE WHAT HE IS REALLY WORTH
HOW IS HE?

THAT WAS A GREAT CROSS-COURT BACK-HAND STROKE.
THAT REALLY IS LIKE HIM... BUT?
HE RE-TURN-ED IT?!
FROM SUCH A POSI-TION!

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WHAT?!?
HAD I KNOWN HE WAS SUCH A GOOD BASELINE PLAYER...
THIS IS TER-RIBLE!

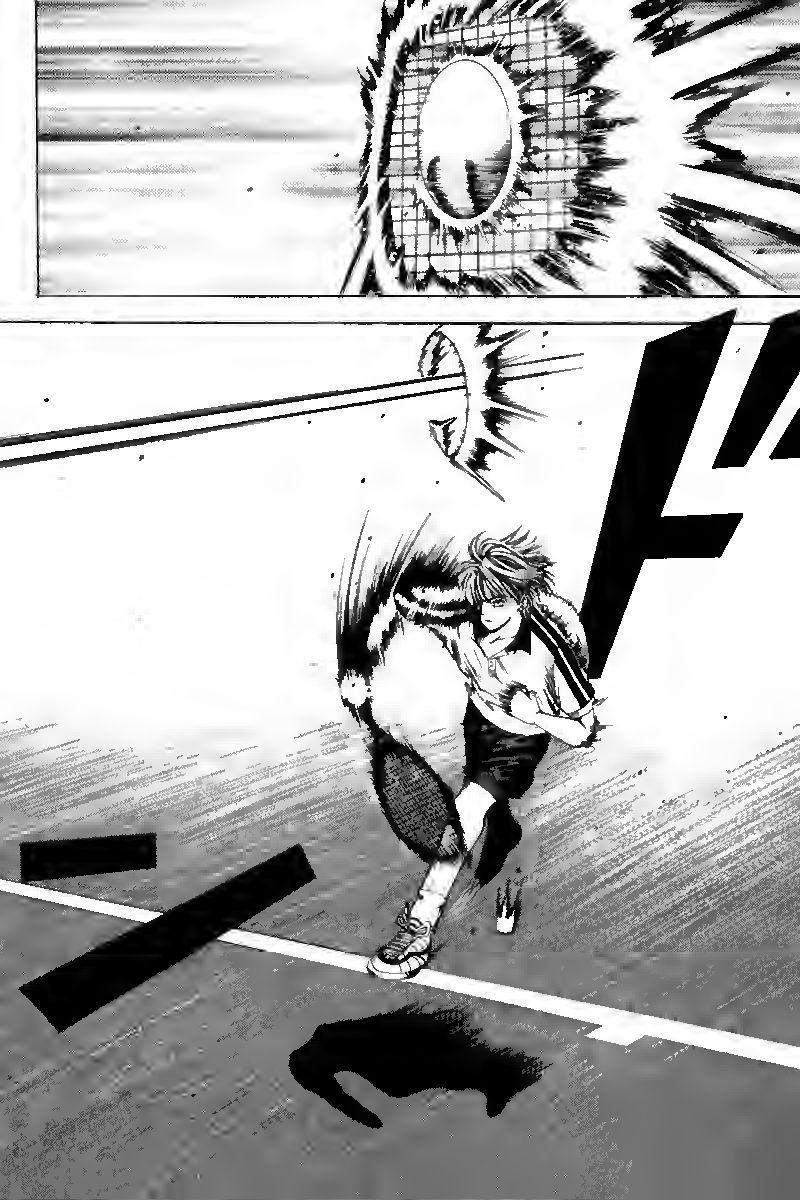
OPEN COURT !

GAME, SET AND MATCH, OKITA!
SUCH PROG-RESS IN ONLY 10 DAYS!
HE'S DONE IT!
HIS FIRST VIC-TO-RY!

...
HEY, WHAT'S GOING ON?
WHY SUCH A TERRIBLE FACE?
THE NEXT MATCH WILL BEGIN!
PLEASE TAKE YOUR POSI-TIONS
BUT WHY DOES HIS LOOK FACE LIKE HE HAS LOST?
GOOD LUCK ON YOUR NEXT MATCH!
PROB-ABLY.
WELL, WE'LL BE SURE DURING THE NEXT MATCH.

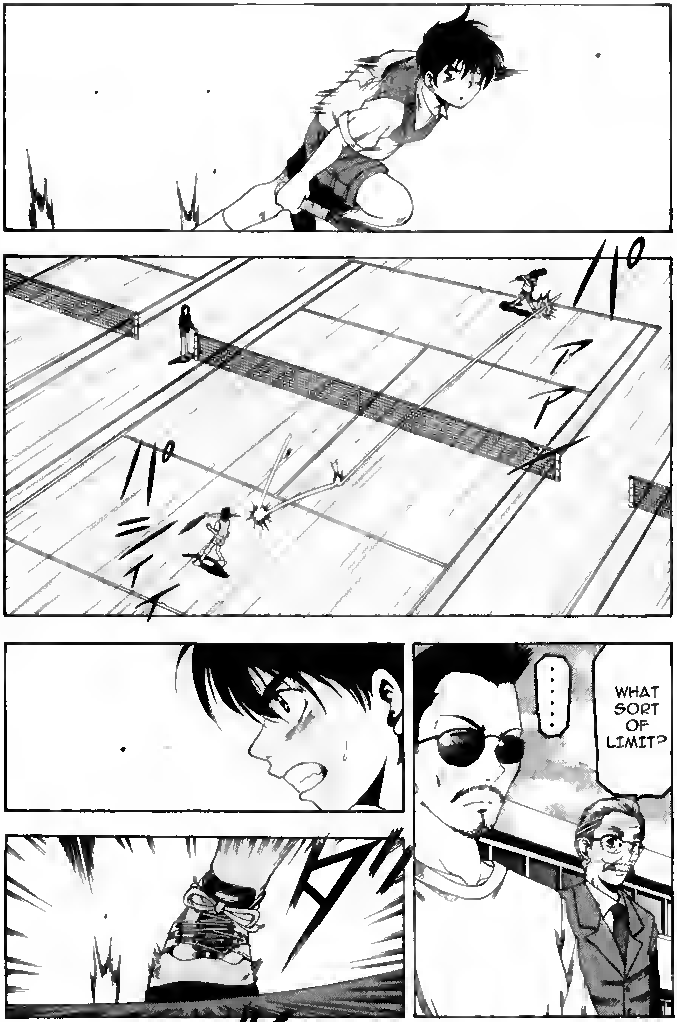
A MATCH?
YEAH, OKITA STARTS TODAY TOO.
AFTER HIS TRAINING AGAINST THE WALL, HE JUST HAD A GREAT VICTORY.
HA.
HEY, DON'T YOU CARE?
YOUR MATCH IS GOING TO BE A GREAT ONE!
NO HEAT.
I'VE ALREADY BEATEN HIM.

PFF... THAT? A GREAT EN-COUN-TER?
SO, I HAVE A MATCH THEN
SUCH CON-FIDE NCE
OH... WELL
THE DIFFICULTY IH THE PREVIOUS MATCH WAS MY-SELF.
HE WASN'T POWER-FUL EHOUGH.
ANOTHER BALL YOU CAN'T GET
I'VE WON BY PLAYING FROM THE BASELINE ALONE
PLAY !!
IN THAT CASE...



15—0!!
I CAN'T DO ANYTHING AGAINST THAT!
I'M GONNA PUT ALL MY STRENGTH IN IT.
YOU WON'T EVEN BE ABLE TO CATCH IT!

PLAY!
THAT EXPRESSION WORRIES ME
SOMETHING JUST FEELS BAD ABOUT HIM
EH?
I UNDERSTAND NOW... IT'S ONE OF HIS LIMITS.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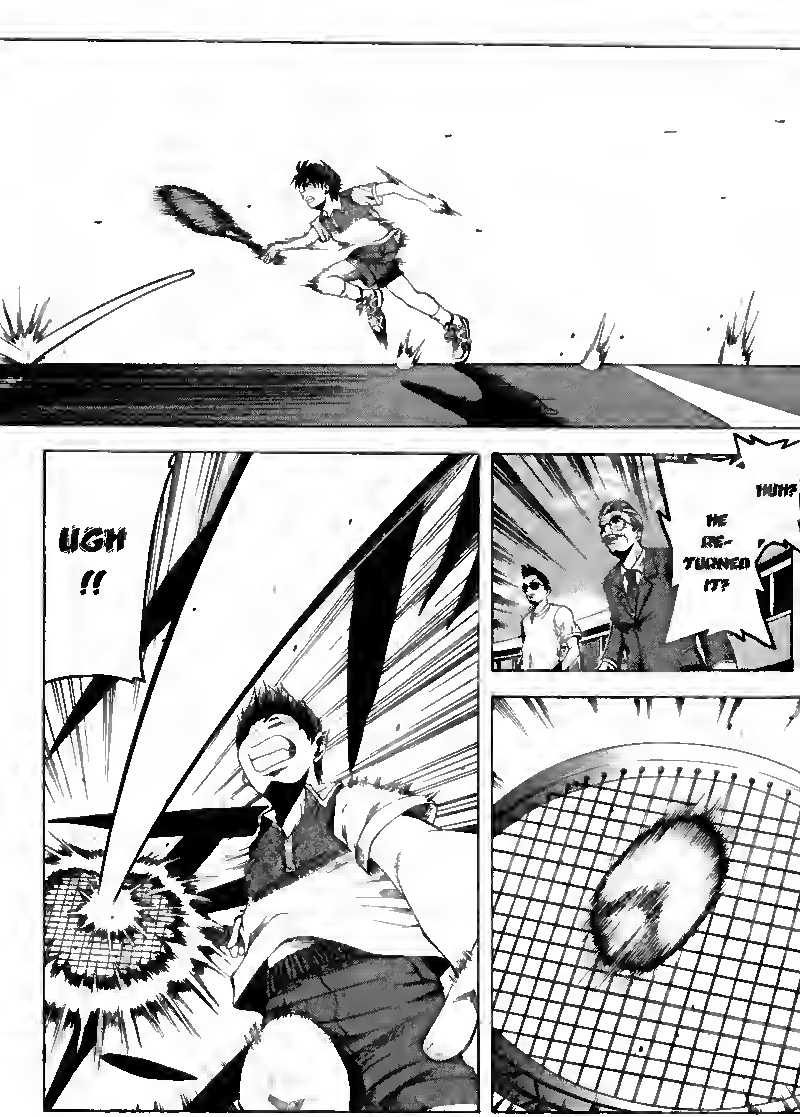
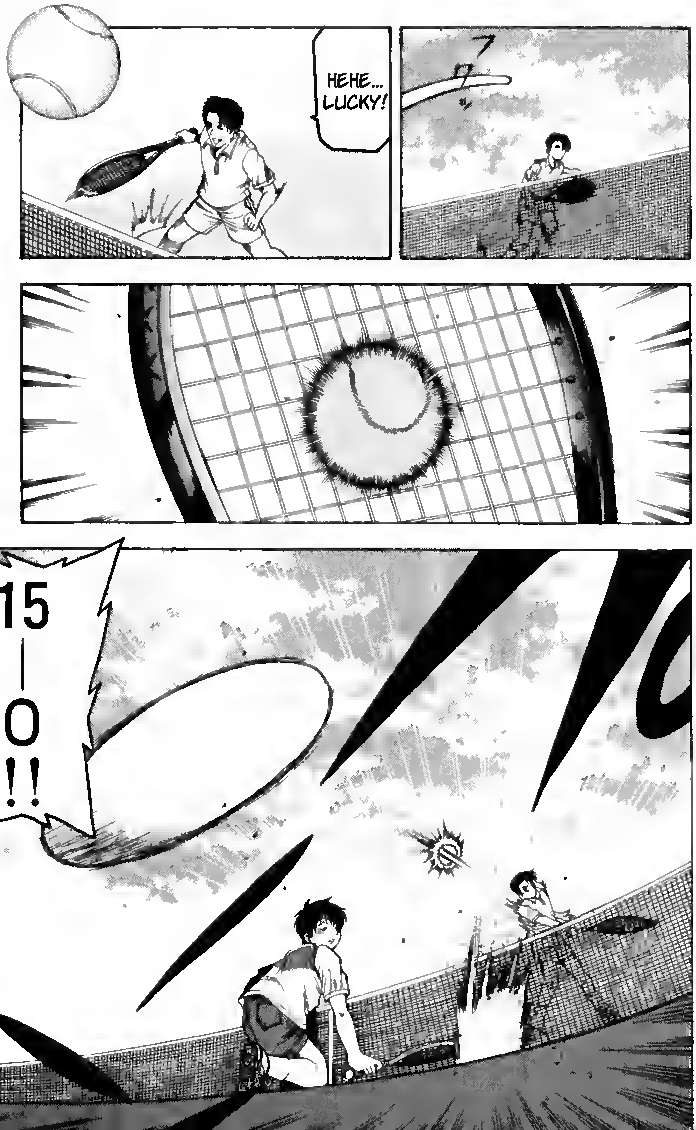

HUH?
HE RE-TURNED IT?
UGH !!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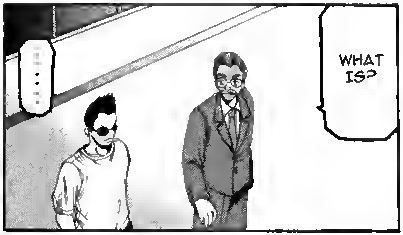
15—0!!


WHAT IS?
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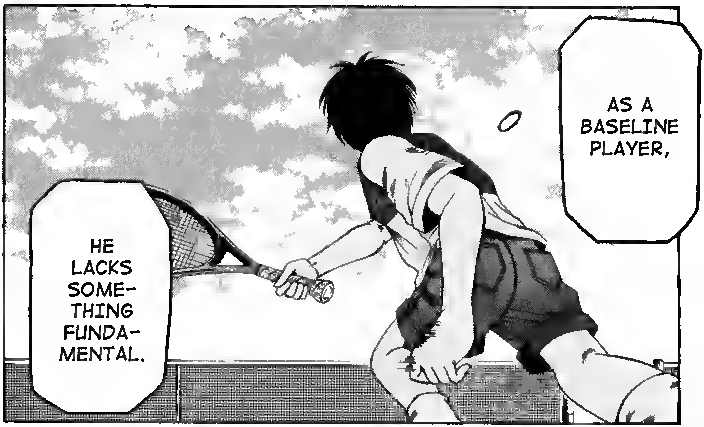
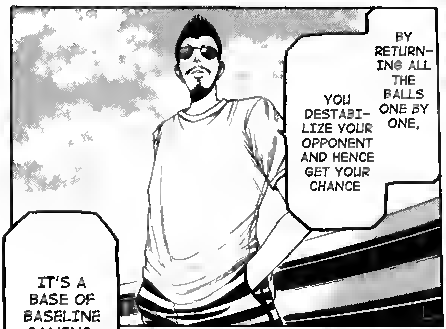
PFF ...
JUST AS I THOUGHT.


AS A BASELINE PLAYER,
HE LACKS SOMETHING FUNDAMENTAL.


BY RETURNING ALL THE BALLS ONE BY ONE,
YOU DESTABILIZE YOUR OPPONENT AND HENCE GET YOUR CHANCE
IT'S A BASE OF BASELINE GAMING.

A FUNDAMENTAL THING?

AS IN DOUBLES PLAY WHERE YOU NEED AN IRON WILL
AND WHERE STAYING CALM COMES AS A HUGE ADVANTAGE.
BUT THAT KID CAN'T STAND LOSING,
AND CAN'T HELP STEPPING TO THE NET
AS A RESULT, HE DOESN'T HAVE ANY STRENGTH LEFT AND IS BEING TOYED WITH
.....!!
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THAT IS HIS MAIN WEAK POINT.
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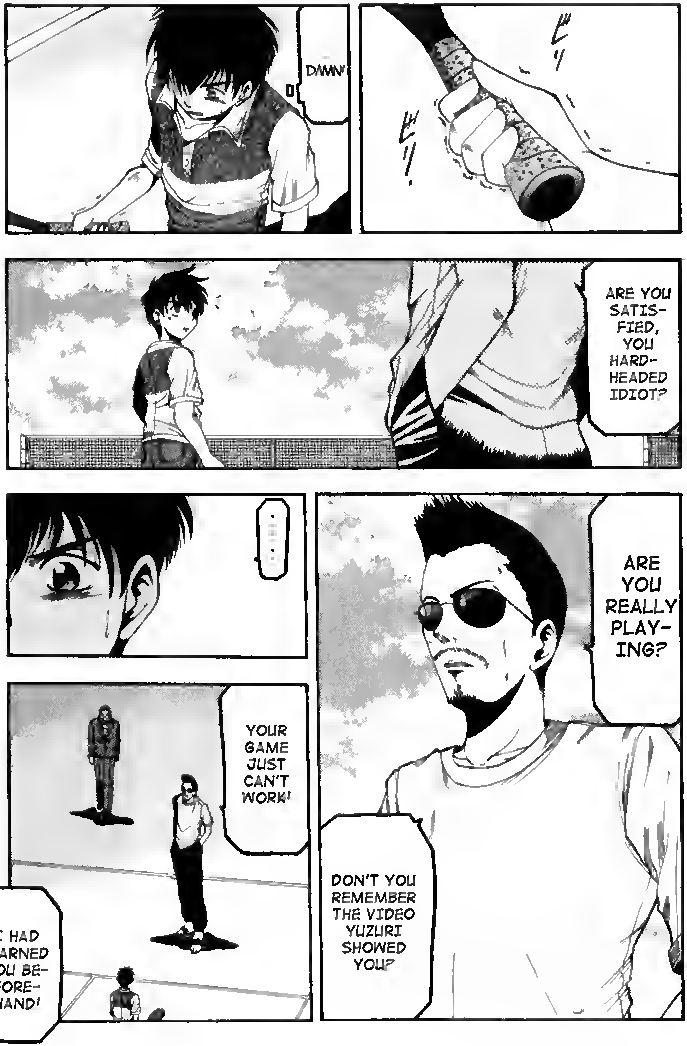
IT'S REALLY HARD TO BECOME GOOD...
BUT I'M TRYING REALLY HARD!

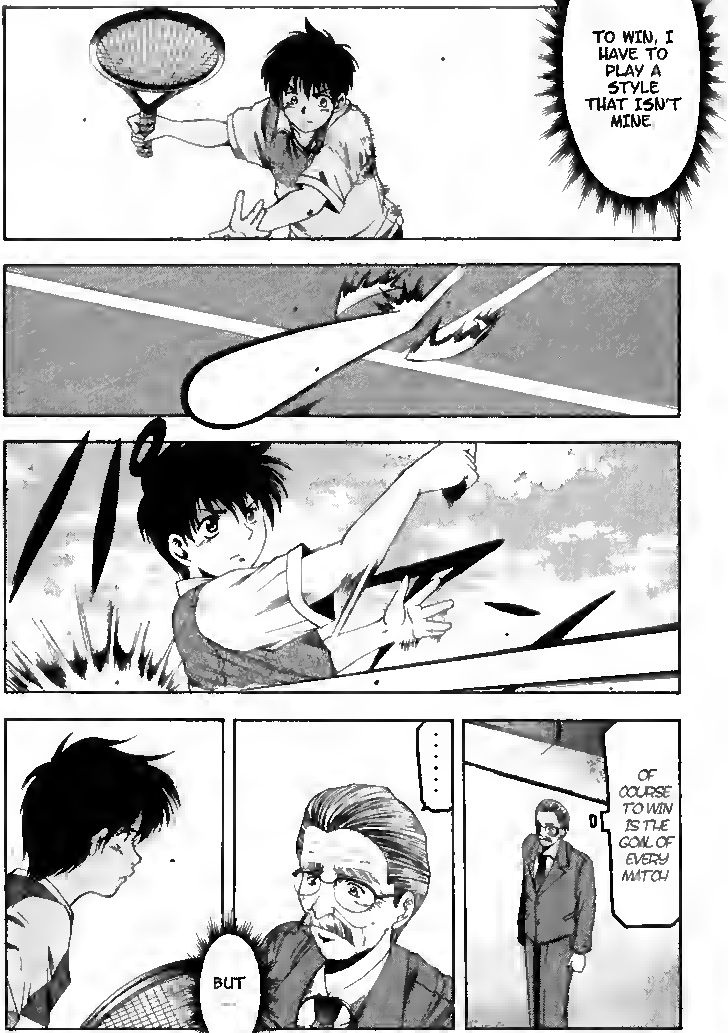

DAMN
ARE YOU SATISFIED, YOU HARD-HEADED IDIOT?
...
ARE YOU REALLY PLAYING?
YOUR GAME JUST CAN'T WORK!
DON'T YOU REMEMBER THE VIDEO YUZURI SHOWED YOU?
I HAD WARNED YOU BEFOREHAND!

IF YOU DO ANYTHING OTHER THAN BASELIN-ING,
YOU'LL LOSE FOR SURE!
BUT, TARA GAMI
LET ME FINISH THIS !
.....!!

IT'S AN EXTRAORDINARY STYLE.
OF COURSE THERE ARE OFFENSIVE PLAYERS WHO USE THE VOLLEY SERVICE.
BUT!
BUT!
YOU'RE EXHAUSTED, YOU CAN'T GO ON!
...
BUT BY DOING THAT TOO MUCH, YOUR OWN ENERGY DECREASES,
AND THEN, WITH YOUR WAY OF PLAYING...

YOUR ONLY WAY OF WINNING IS TO MAKE YOU OPPONENT RUN,
TO EXHAUST HIM BY PLAYING FROM THE BASELINE!
YES...
THAT I HAD UNDERSTOOD!
NO, YOU HAVEN'T UNDERSTOOD A SINGLE THING
SHOW ME SOME REAL PLAY!
THE ONE AND ONLY DUMB TECHNIQUE YOU'RE CURRENLY USING IS RECEIVING AND SENDING IT BACK!
IF YOU WANT TO WIN, DON'T BLINDLY THROW YOURSELF FORWARD!

YES YES, SORRY!
SO, CAN WE RESUME ?
PLAY!
UNDER STOOD ?
DON'T RUSH TO ATTACK!
BUT FOR HIM IT'S DIFFER-ENT
IF ONE PLAYS JUST FOR FUN, SURE, THERE WAS NOTHING TO SAY
YES! THERE WAS
TARA-GAMI THERE WAS NOTHING TO SAY UP TO NOW
HIM, HE WANTS ...


TO WIN, I HAVE TO PLAY A STYLE THAT ISN'T MINE
OF COURSE TO WIN IS THE GOAL OF EVERY MATCH
.....
BUT...

YES, I'VE UNDESTOOD THAT, YET...
IF YOU WANNA WIN, DON'T BLINDLY STEP TO THE NET.
STOP THAT DUMBASS TECH-NIQUE!
...THAT PISSES ME OFF!
IF I FOLLOW THAT STYLE, I'LL JUST GET TIRED!
GO ON!
GO
AND I JUST TOLD HIM!
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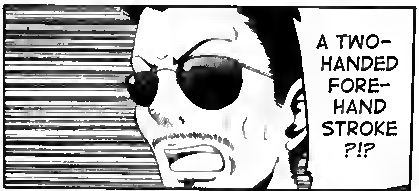
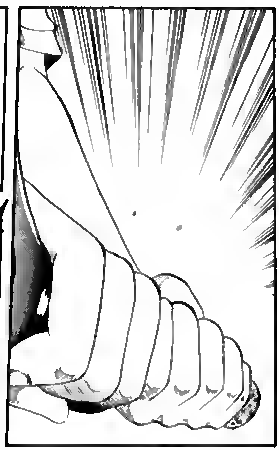
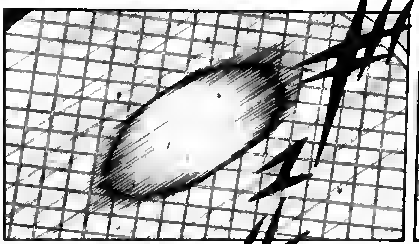

A TWO-HANDED FORE-HAND STROKE ?!?





ARGH !
YAAA !!
SO, AT LAST HE'S DECIDED HIM-SELF..
SUCH A RETURN !
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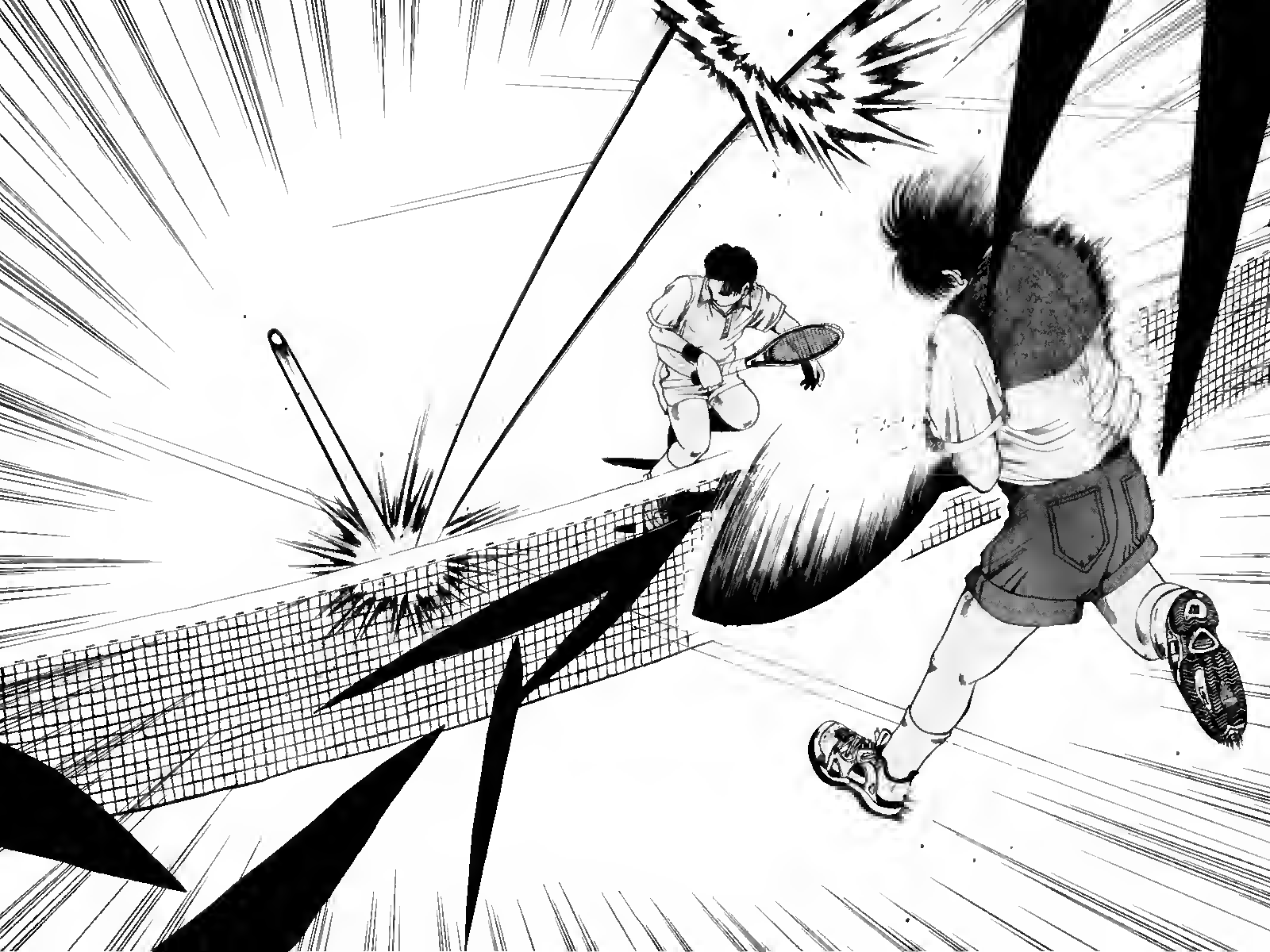


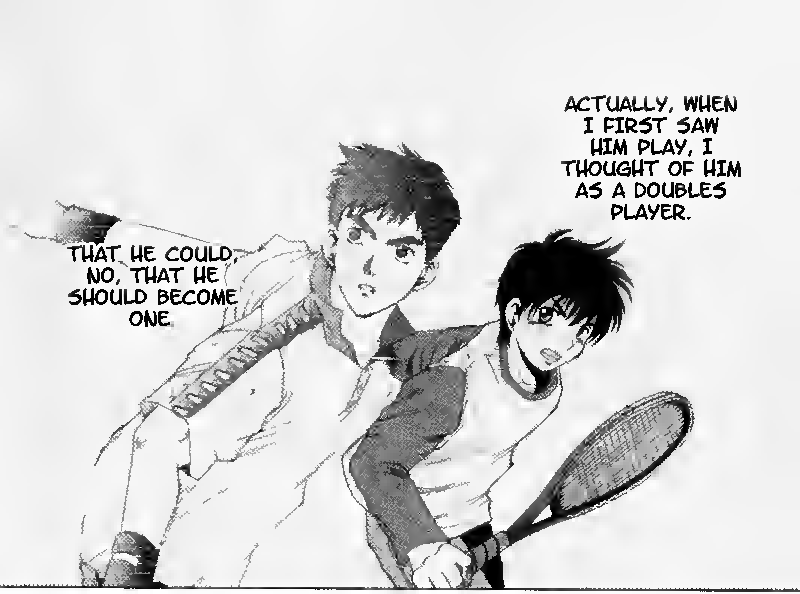
...
30 - 15 !!
YEAH!
WHAT
WHAT DID HE JUST DO?

IF HE STRIKES EVERYTHING TWO-HANDED, HE WON'T NEED TO CONSUME ENERGY BY STEPPING TO THE NET.
BUT IF A SMALL PLAYER DOES THIS, HIS DEFENSE ZONE WILL BE REDUCED TO NOTHING!
1-HANDED DEFENSE AREA
2-HANDED DEFENSE AREA
NORMALLY, YOU SHOULDN'T BE ABLE TO PLAY LIKE THAT.
IF HE REACTS JUST A INSTANT TOO LATE, FOR SURE HE'D LET THE BALL PASS HIM
BUT...
HE SIMPLY CANNOT SILENCE HIS TEMPERAMENT, HE REALLY IS BOLD!
EH?
OBVIOUSLY HIS PASSING SHOT WAS INCREDIBLE

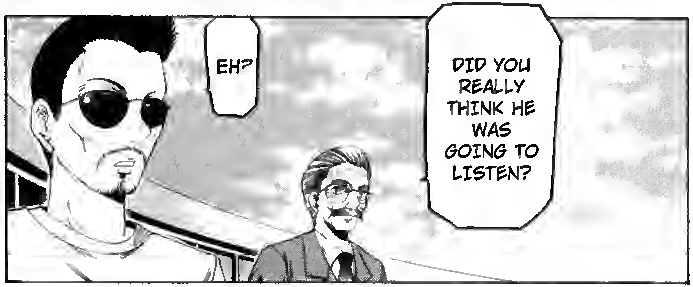
AN OFFENSIVE GAME LIKE IN A DOUBLES.
HE HAS TRANSFORMED HIS GREATEST WEAKNESS INTO AN INCREDIBLE WEAPON.

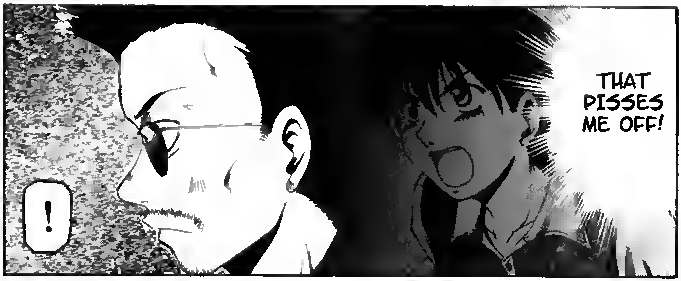
AND HAS CHOSEN A 100% OFFENSIVE PLAY.
HE HAS COMPLETELY GIVEN UP ON DEFENSE...

A MIS-TAKE ?
YEAH HAVE I MADE A MISTAKE AS HIS TRAINER?
. . . . .
SINCE I WAS SO FOCUSED ON ACHIEV-ING VICTORY,
I ENDED UP ENDANGER-ING HIS REAL GIFT..
BUT . . .
NO, YOU'VE COM-MITED NO MISTAKE
IN YOUR PLACE,
I WOULD HAVE DONE THE SAME WITH TSURUGI


ACTUALLY, WHEN I FIRST SAW HIM PLAY, I THOUGHT OF HIM AS A DOUBLES PLAYER.
THAT HE COULD, NO, THAT HE SHOULD BECOME ONE.

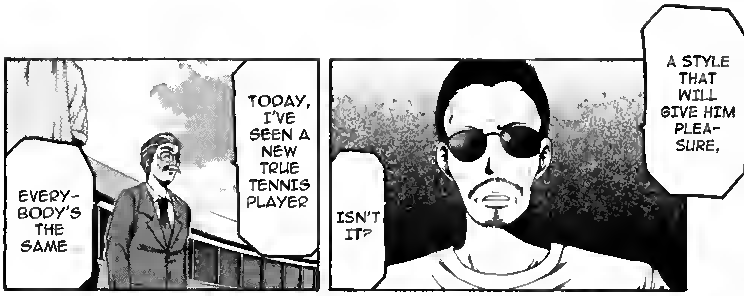
...WAS A BIG MIS-TAKE.
BUT THIS...


EH?
DID YOU REALLY THINK HE WAS GOING TO LISTEN?


!
THAT PISSES ME OFF!

HE UNDERSTANDS BY HIMSELF THAT MORE IMPORTANT THAN VICTORY,
THAT'S WHY I THINK IT'S ALL RIGHT THAT WAY
THAT SENTENCE SUMS HIM UP

... AND THAT HE SHOULD PLAY THE WAY HE LIKES!
IS THAT THE GAME HE PLAYS DELIGHTS HIM!..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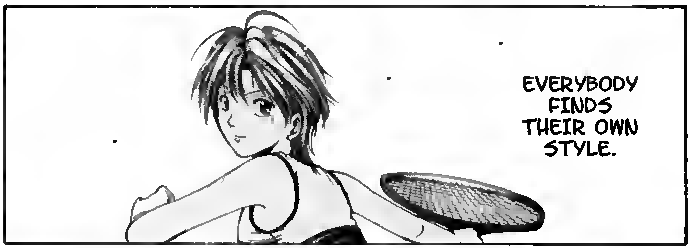
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BUT ABOVE ALL I WANT TO ACHIEVE SUCCESS.
I DON'T THINK I WILL BE ABLE TO BECOME A PLAYER LIKE MY FATHER.
.....
THAT SENTENCE...
...BELONGS TO NO ONE ELSE.

TO PLAY ONE'S OWN GAME...
...
TENNIS WON'T BE EASY ON YOU IF YOU PLAY THAT WAY
YOU'LL HIT A WALL MANY TIMES...
ニヤ
BUT YOU...

...WELL. IN THAT CASE, GO ON WITH THAT STYLE TO THE VERY END.
AND BREAK WALLS!
GAME, SET AND MATCH, OKITA!
YEAH!!

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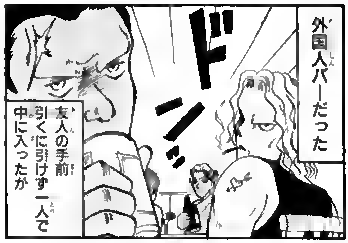

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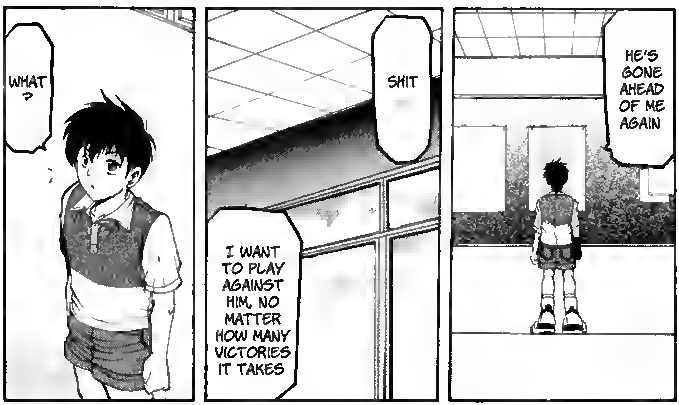
#6
The Man Who
Crossed The Sea

GAME, SET AND MATCH: OKITA!
YEAH! SIX GAMES IN A ROW!

26 Ninomiya

I SHOULD BE JUST BEHIND NINOMIYA!

35 Okita



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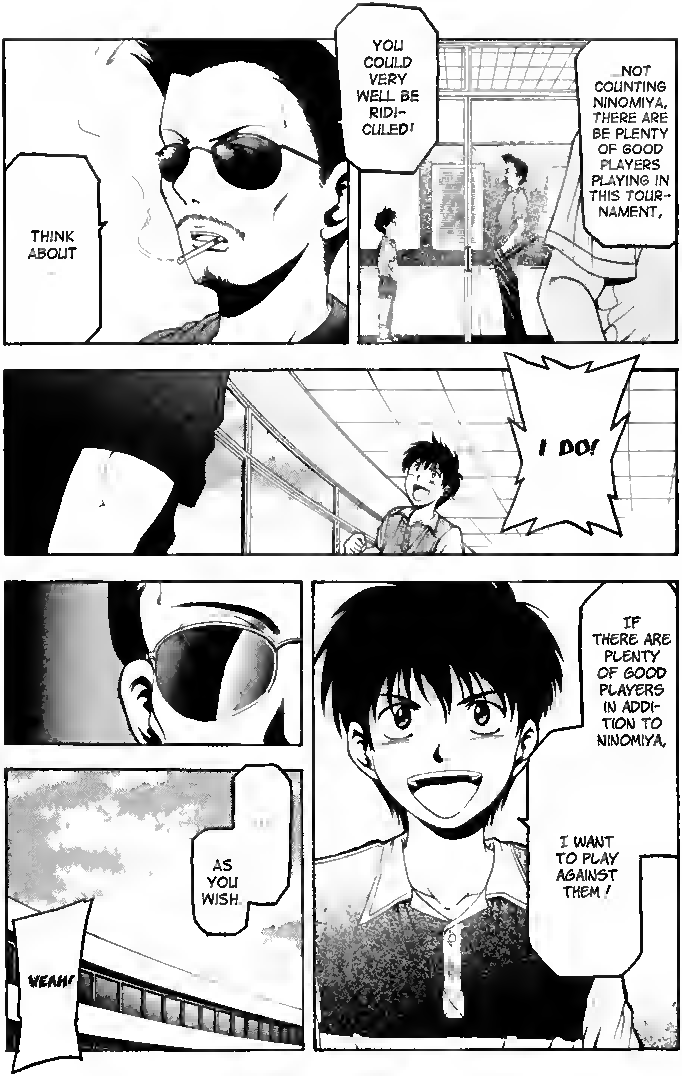
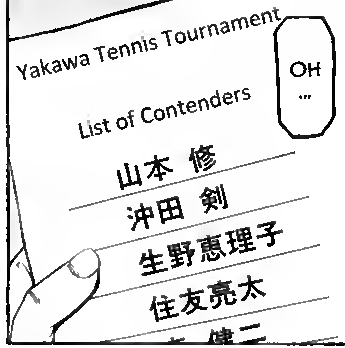
THERE'S EVEN A CATE-GORY FOR UNDER 12
MAYBE I SHOULD TRY...
A TOUR-NA-MENT?
THAT'S IT!
HE'S ALREADY TURNED IN HIS APPLICA-TION FORM
YOU INTEND TO DO THE SAME, DON'T YOU?
NINOMIYA WILL BE THERE...
EH?
I'M TELLING YOU THIS BE-CAUSE...
WELL, I..

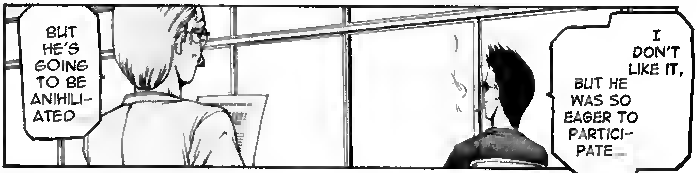

THINK ABOUT
YOU COULD VERY WELL BE RIDI-CULED!
...NOT COUNTING NINOMIYA, THERE ARE BE PLENTY OF GOOD PLAYERS PLAYING IN THIS TOUR-NAMENT,
I DO!
IF THERE ARE PLENTY OF GOOD PLAYERS IN ADDI-TION TO NINOMIYA,
I WANT TO PLAY AGAINST THEM!
AS YOU WISH.
YEAH!

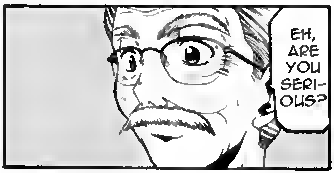
PLAY?
YEP! I'M PLAYING TOMORROW AT THE TOURNAMENT
WELL, IT MEANS COACH TACHIBANA HAS FORGIVEN YOU
HE TOLD ME TO PLAY HOWEVER I WANT TO
WHAT?
YOU MEAN YOU'VE BEEN A SPOILED BRAT ONCE AGAIN ?
HEY, GIVE ME A BREAK!
ACTUALLY,
I'LL ALSO HAVE A GO AT IT TOMORROW

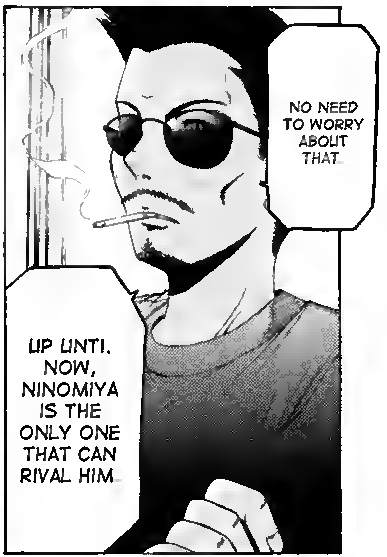
I CAN'T WAIT FOR IT...
TOMORROW, WE'LL HAVE TO GIVE OUR BEST!
EH?
SO, GOOD LUCK FOR TOMORROW!
YES!
BATHUM
ARE THERE ANY THINGS WE SHOULD DO BEFORE THE TOURNAMENT?
EH
YES
Y..YES?
HEY KASUMI!
HE HAS SOMETHING MORE THAN BEFORE

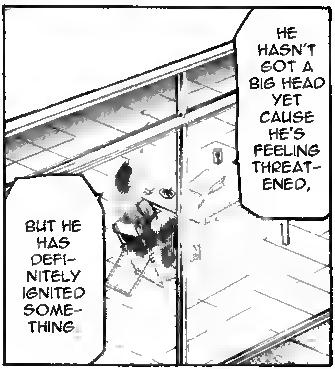
DO YOU THINK IT'LL BE ALRIGHT?
TSURUGI IS ALSO PLAYING TOMORROW


Yakawa Tennis Tournament
List of Contenders
山本 修
沖田 剣
生野恵理子
住友亮太
OH...


BUT HE'S GOING TO BE ANIHILIATED
I DON'T LIKE IT, BUT HE WAS SO EAGER TO PARTICIPATE...


EH, ARE YOU SERIOUS?


NO NEED TO WORRY ABOUT THAT.
UP UNTIL NOW, NINOMIYA IS THE ONLY ONE THAT CAN RIVAL HIM.


HE HASN'T GOT A BIG HEAD YET CAUSE HE'S FEELING THREATENED,
BUT HE HAS DEFINITELY IGNITED SOMETHING.

IN SHORT,
I'LL SHOW THEM!
HE IS AMONG THE PEOPLE...
WHO HAVE A GIFT...
AND, I DON'T EVEN MENTION THE FACT THAT HE'S BEEN TO SWEDEN
CLEAR ENOUGH
IN THE SAME WAY,
SHINJOU ALSO HAS ONE.
IS HE ALRIGHT?
YEAH
HE DOESN'T SEEM LIKE IT BUT HIS HEAD'S SOLID...

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WELL. ARE YOU SURE? ABOUT THAT RACKET
FROM WHAT I'VE HEARD
YES.
IT REALLY IS PER-FECT.
THANKS A LOT.

YES, IT'S A GOOD IDEA BEFORE A TOURNAMENT.
WHAT? TIGHTEN THE GRIP?
SEE YOU LATER.
AH...
BUT HE SHOULDN'T BE IN JAPAN
WELL...
YOU KNOW HIM KASUMI?
IN THAT CASE, LET'S GO BACK QUICKLY!
YES!
NO, NO
I JUST MISTOOK HIM FOR SOMEONE ELSE
YOU DON'T WANNA TALK ABOUT IT?

I WOULD LIKE TO TIGHTEN THE GRIP OF MY RACKET
AH, SAME HERE!
NO PROB-LEM
HELLO!
EH?
SAME FOR YOU! TALL ONE?
NINOMIYA !!
AH!!
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WHY ARE YOU HERE?
SO NOW I NEED YOUR PERMISSION TO GO TO THE SPORT OUTLET?

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EH?
I'D LIKE TO CHANGE THE BUMPER AND THE SIDE SLEEVES AS WELL AS THE GRIP AND THE CORDS...
WELL..
HEY, GREAT! THAT'S A RACKET! YOU MUST TRAIN HARD!
JUST WHAT LAN-GUAGE
IS HE SPEAK-ING?
DO YOU THINK YOU'RE HIS FRIEND?
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WHAT?
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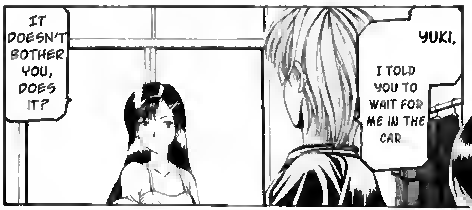
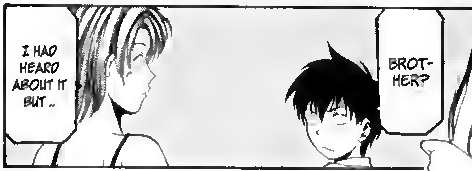
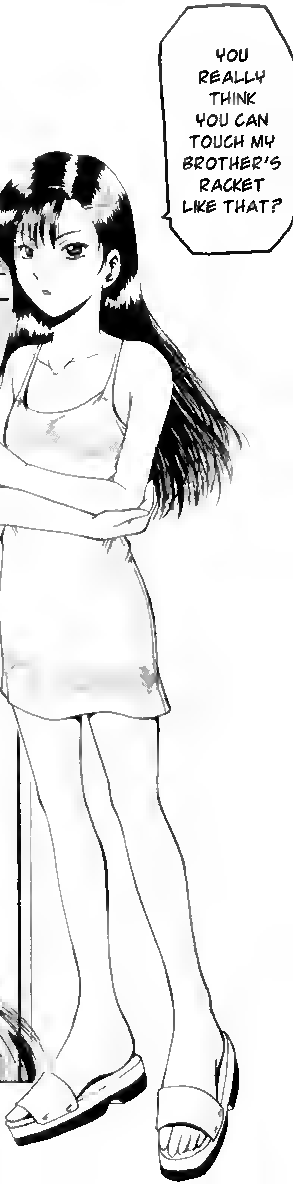
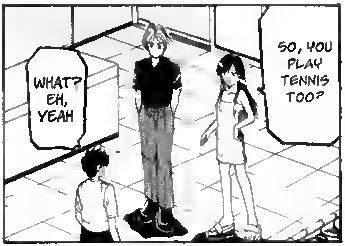
OUCH!!!!

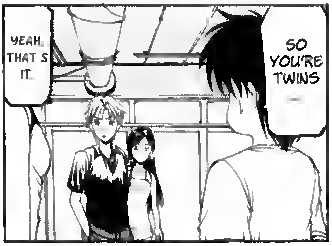

IT DOESN'T BOTHER YOU, DOES IT?
YUKI,
I TOLD YOU TO WAIT FOR ME IN THE CAR

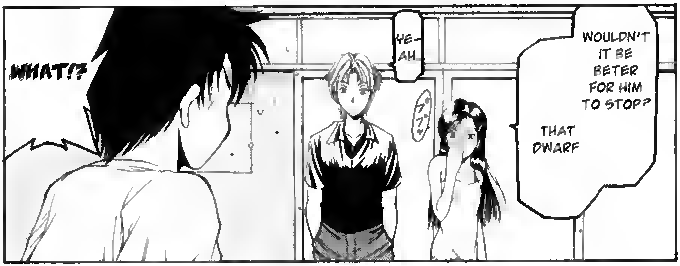

I HAD HEARD ABOUT IT BUT..
BROT-HER?

LET GO OF ME!
YES, WE ARE TWINS.

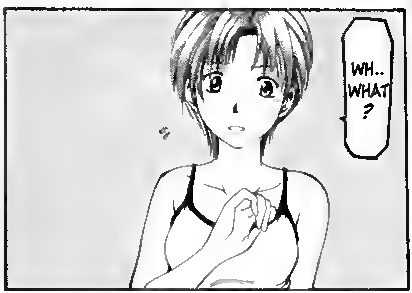

YOU REALLY THINK YOU CAN TOUCH MY BROTHER'S RACKET LIKE THAT?

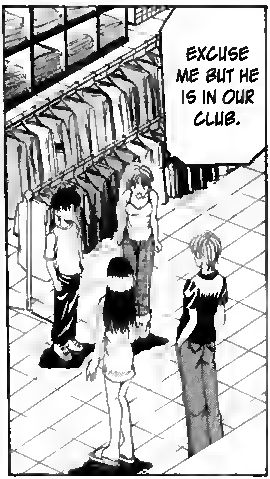

SO, YOU PLAY TENNIS TOO?
WHAT? EH, YEAH


YEAH, THAT'S IT.
SO YOU'RE TWINS


WHAT!?
YE-AH.
WOULDN'T IT BE BETER FOR HIM TO STOP?
THAT DWARF

じ…!?


WH.. WHAT ?


EXCUSE ME BUT HE IS IN OUR CLUB.

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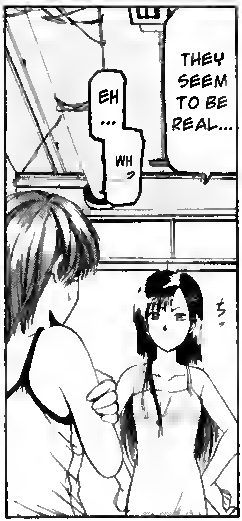
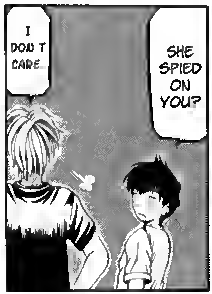
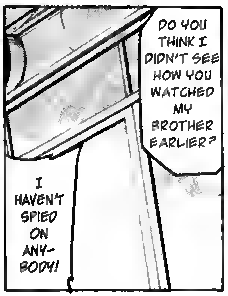
NO SELF CONFI-DENCE ???
EVEN SO, WITH BREASTS THAT BIG, YOU DON'T HAVE ANY SELF-CONFIDENCE


THEY SEEM TO BE REAL...
EH ...
WH ?


I DON'T CARE
SHE SPIED ON YOU?


DO YOU THINK I DIDN'T SEE HOW YOU WATCHED MY BROTHER EARLIER?
I HAVEN'T SPIED ON ANY-BODY!

SHINJI'S FRIND'S HAVE ALSO COME, I SEE.
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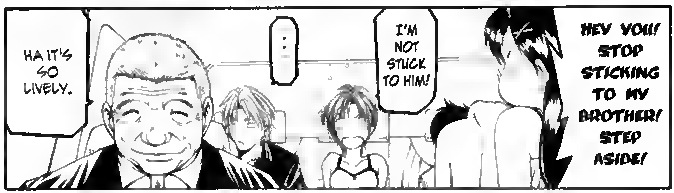
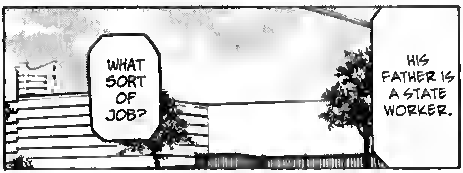
HAHA, YOU ALL SEEM TO BE HAVING FUN.
AH, EXCUSE ME. I'M THE NINOMIYA FAMILY'S DRIVER, HARADA.
WHA?
WHO?
EH YES.
YOU ARE ALSO A MEMBER OF THAT CLUB, AREN'T YOU?
HARADA I
A.. DRI-VER!
THEN, EVERY-THING IS PER-FECT.
I DIDN'T MEAN TO COME IN, BUT I OVER-HEARD YOU TALK-ING.
I WAS JUST ABOUT TO BRING SHINJI TO HIS SWIM-MING TRAINING.

WHAT'S THIS BULLSHIT?
WHAT?
WHAT?
WHICH MEANS WE ARE ALL GOING TOGETHER.
I KNOW THAT WELL.
WE AREN'T GOING THERE TO HAVE FUN!
YOU CAN'T BRING THOSE TWO TO OUR SWIMMING POOL!
WON'T IT?
IT WILL BE GOOD FOR YOUR ACHES AND TO TUNE YOUR MUSCLES FOR TENNIS,
DEAR CLIENT, YOUR RACKETS
WE'LL COME TO FETCH THEM LATER.
HEY!! WAIT A MOMENT !!
HEY-
EH?!
COME ON, IT'LL BE GREAT IF EVERYONE COMES.
LET'S GO!

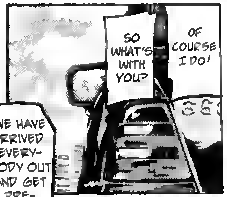

HEY YOU! STOP STICKING TO MY BROTHER! STEP ASIDE!
I'M NOT STUCK TO HIM!
...
HA IT'S SO LIVELY.


HIS FATHER IS A STATE WORKER.
WHAT SORT OF JOB?

HEY YOU'RE A LUCKY ONE WHAT DOES YOUR FAMILY DO?
A DRIVER, EVEN A MERCEDES
...

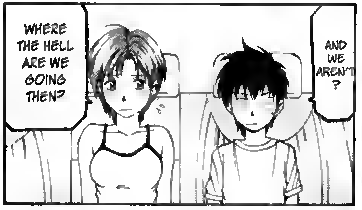
WHAT'S WITH YOU? OF COURSE YOU ALREADY KNOW ALL THIS!
PFF NO NEED TO TALK ABOUT ALL THAT BULL-SHIT AGAIN

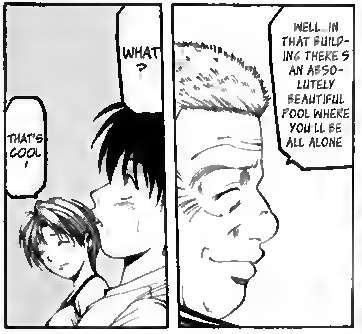
HIS FAMILY WORKS FOR THE SELF DEFENSE FORCES. THEY ARE RESPONSIBLE FOR STRATEGY AND FORMATION.
AH.. OK.

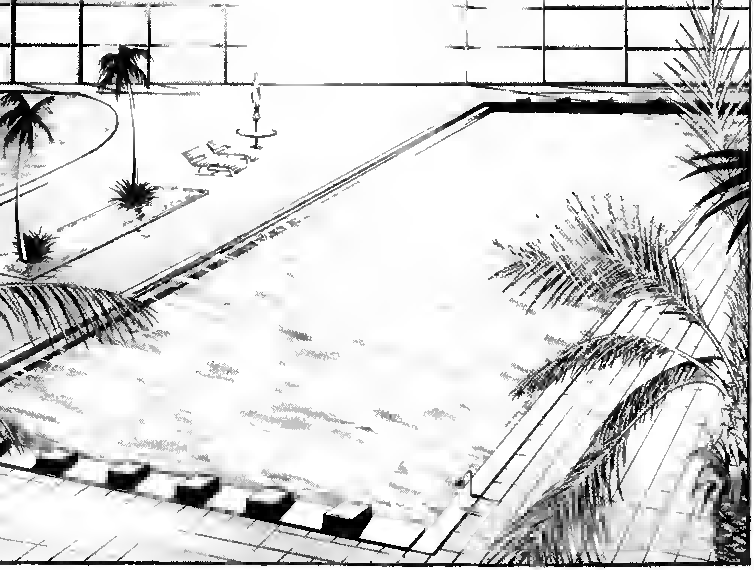

OF COURSE I DO!
SO WHAT'S WITH YOU?
WE HAVE ARRIVED EVERY-BODY OUT AND GET PRE-PARED!

IT'S HERE
WHAT? WEREN'T WE GOING TO THE SWIMMING POOL?

YOU WERE ACTUALLY THINKING WE WOULD GO TO A PUBLIC SWIMMING POOL?


WHERE THE HELL ARE WE GOING THEN?
AND WE AREN'T?

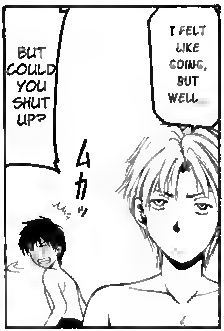

WELL..IN THAT BUILDING THERE'S AN ABSOLUTELY BEAUTIFUL POOL WHERE YOU'LL BE ALL ALONE
WHAT?
THAT'S COOL!



AND THOSE WEIRD TREES
THAT'S DEFINITELY NOT NORMAL.

WELL, EH...
WHAT'S GOING ON KASUMI?

TSU-RUGI! COME HERE


I FELT LIKE GOING, BUT WELL...
BUT COULD YOU SHUT UP?
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I NEVER IMAGINED WE'D END UP IN A PLACE LIKE THIS

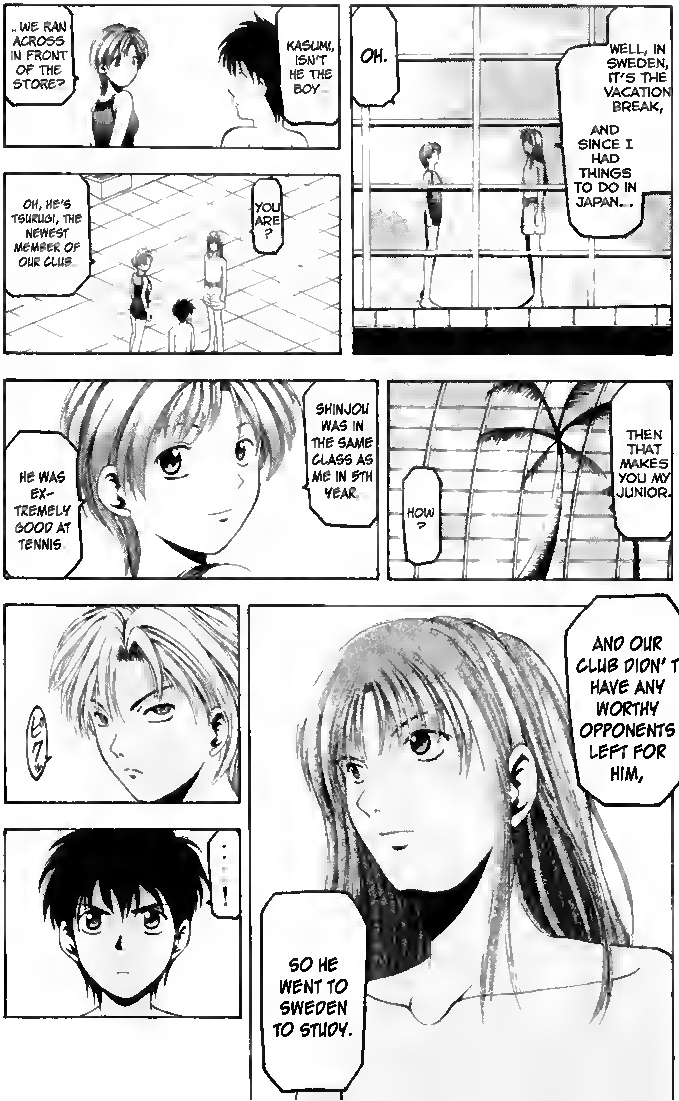
I HAD TO USE THE SCHOOL SWIM SUIT.
I DID TOO. ISN'T THAT OK?
Y... YEAH
ANYWAYS, THERE WON'T BE ANYONE TO PEEP HERE,
OR GIVE YOU WEIRD LOOKS
GAH! WHAT IS THAT SUIT?!
IT'S SIMP-LY HOR-RIBLE!
OK THERE WAS SOME-ONE
YEAH ...

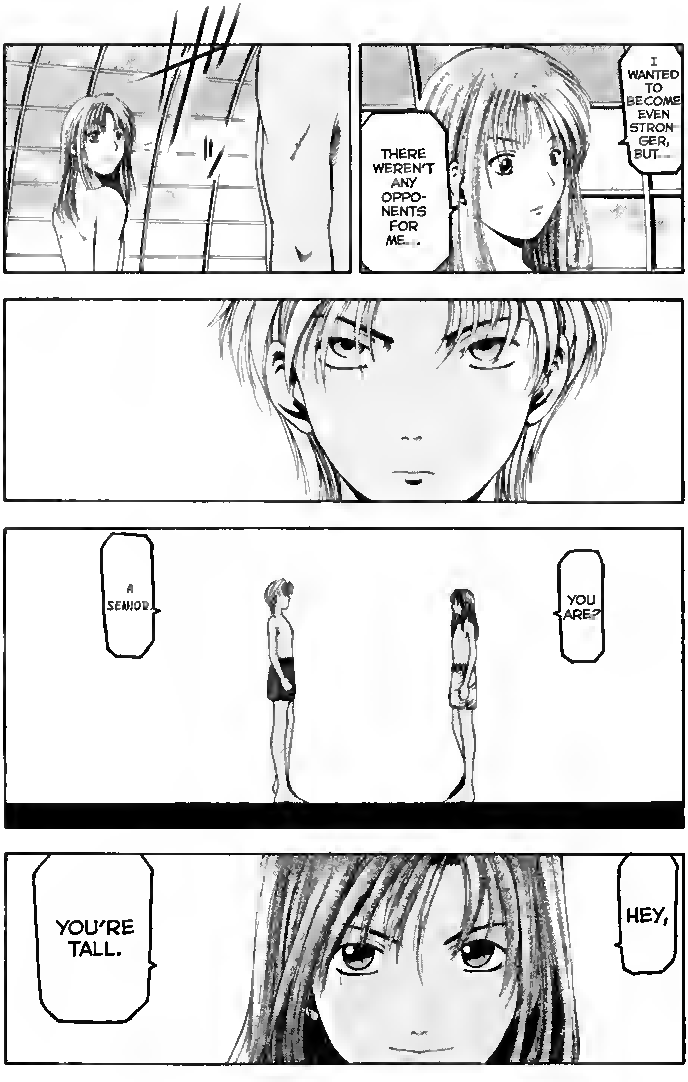
YOUR SWIMSUIT IS SO CRAPPY!
AND YOU'RE WAY TOO NER-VOUS!
THAT WAS TOO MUCH FROM YOU, TSURUGI.
HMPH
OUCH HHHHH
WELL, MAYBE YOURS IS MORE FLASHY, BUT YOUR CHEST IS TOTALLY FLAT!
DID THAT COME FROM SOME SU-PERIORITY COMPLEX?
WHAT ARE YOU TALKING ABOUT?

AH, PFF.
AND WHAT ELSE?
WELL, THAT'S JUST MY FEELINGS ABOUT IT
AND WHY ARE YOU THROWING MY BREASTS INTO THE MIDDLE OF THE CONVERSATION?
ONLY BECAUSE YOUR BREASTS ARE BIGGER!
WISH I WAS ALREADY HOME
OH,
SORRY.
EH?
LET'S GO TSURUGI

NO, IT'S MY FAULT.
AH!
ARENT YOU SANADA?
SHIN... SHINJOU!

I WAS TOLD THE GUESTS OF THIS HOTEL COULD USE IT FREELY.
HEY YOU! HOW COME YOU'RE IN OUR SWIMMING POOL?
AND I THOUGHT YOU WERE GOING TO TELL ME TO GET OUT
WELL, IF YOU'RE A GUEST, THERE'S NO HELP-ING IT...
BY THE WAY,
SHINJOU, HOW COME YOU'RE BACK IN JAPAN?
BUT THAT'S THE TRUTH!
HEY, STOP MAKING ME BLUSH!
THAT ASIDE, SANADA, WHY ARE YOU HERE?
WE WERE INVITED AT THE TENNIS CLUB
INVITED MY ASS, YOU JUST TAGGED ALONG


KASUMI, ISN'T HE THE BOY...
...WE RAN ACROSS IN FRONT OF THE STORE?
OH.
WELL, IN SWEDEN, IT'S THE VACATION BREAK,
AND SINCE I HAD THINGS TO DO IN JAPAN...
YOU ARE?
OH, HE'S TSURUGI, THE NEWEST MEMBER OF OUR CLUB.
SHINJOU WAS IN THE SAME CLASS AS ME IN 5TH YEAR.
HE WAS EXTREMELY GOOD AT TENNIS.
THEN THAT MAKES YOU MY JUNIOR.
HOW?
EH?
...!
AND OUR CLUB DION'T HAVE ANY WORTHY OPPONENTS LEFT FOR HIM,
SO HE WENT TO SWEDEN TO STUDY.


I WANTED TO BECOME EVEN STRONGER, BUT...
THERE WEREN'T ANY OPPONENTS FOR ME...
A SENIOR
YOU ARE?
YOU'RE TALL.
HEY,

YES, IT'S A WEAPON
SINCE I'M NOT GOING TO STAY IN JAPAN FOR LONG, I'M HAPPY I WAS able TO MEET SOME PROMISING SENIORS.
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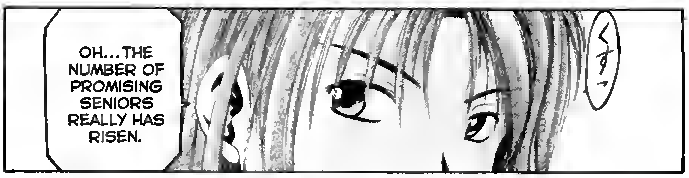
HM?
WELL, NOW I MUST CONTINUE ON WITH MY TRAINING.


OH... THE NUMBER OF PROMISING SENIORS REALLY HAS RISEN.
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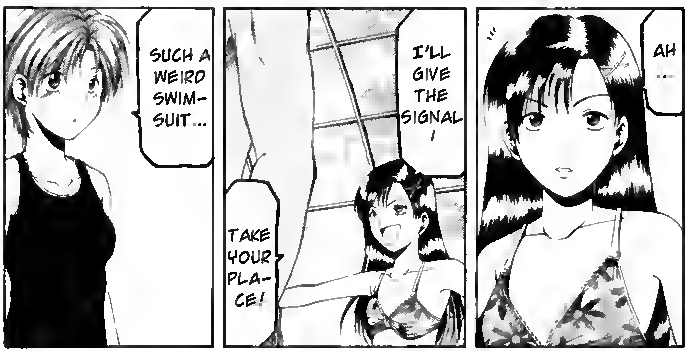
SUCH A WEIRD SWIM-SUIT...
TAKE YOUR PLA-CE!
I'LL GIVE THE SIGNAL!
AH...

PFF... AN EXCHANGE STUDENT.
I'M NOT GONNA LOSE AGAINST THAT EFFEMINATE GUY.
I'M NOT GONNA LOSE AGAINST SUCH A BOASTER!
GET READY!
START!!
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HOW CAN HE SWIM THAT FAST?
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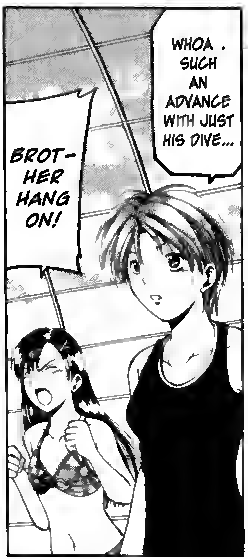
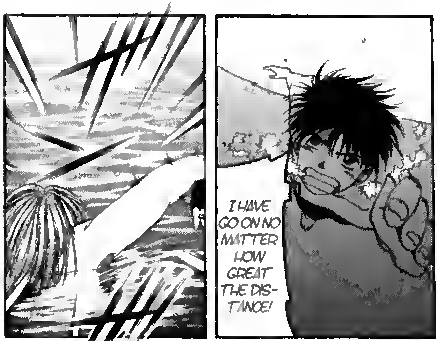
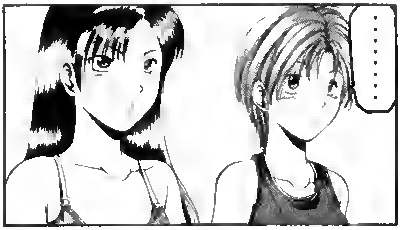

WHOA. SUCH AN ADVANCE WITH JUST HIS DIVE...
BROT-HER HANG ON!


I HAVE GO ON NO MATTER HOW GREAT THE DIS-TANCE!

WHAT?
HE'S STILL GUNNING-GROUND?
THAT GUY...
I HAVE TO SWIM WITHOUT GETTING OUT OF BREATH!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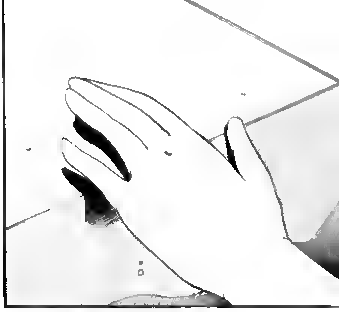
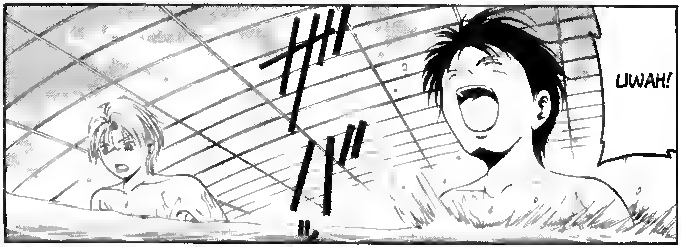
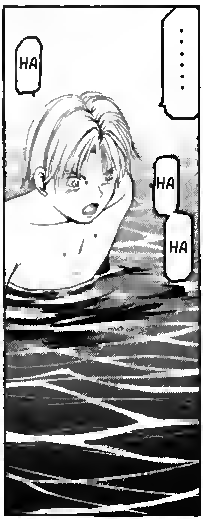



UWAH!

SPEED
ENDURANCE.
THOSE QUALITIES
ARE PARAMOUNT
TO A TENNIS
PLAYER


HA
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HARDLY
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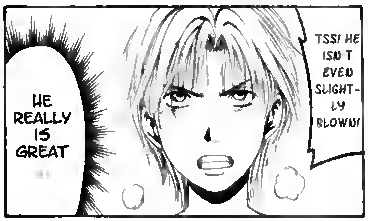
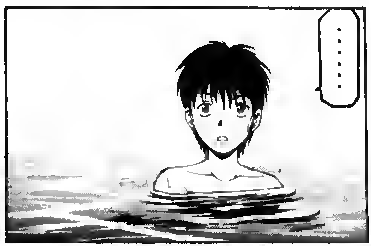
TWO.

THAT
GUY HAS
BOTH


TSS! HE ISN'T EVEN SLIGHTLY BLOWN!
HE REALLY IS GREAT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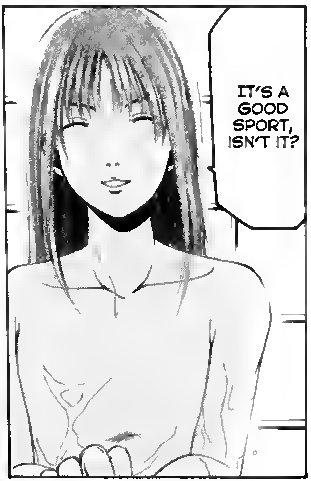
IT'S A GOOD SPORT, ISN'T IT?

IN ADDITION TO NINOMIYA AND KASUMI,
THERE ARE OTHER EXTREMELY TALENTED TENNIS PLAYERS!

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#7 Dangerous Age

THERE MAY BE SOME PRETTY TIGHT MATCHES TOMORROW.
THE NUMBER OF JUNIORS LIKE YOU HAS SHARPLY RISEN...
HEY,
SHINJOU, ARE YOU PLAYING IN TOMORROW'S TOURNAMENT TOO?
YEAH. I DIDN'T HAVE MUCH TO DO ANY-WAYS.
TRUE, YOU MUST HAVE A LOT OF TIME, IF YOU GO THERE ONLY TO KILL TIME
NOT REALLY FOR THAT REASON.

BY THE WAY, ARE YOU COMING TOMORROW TOO?
YES.
IF SO, YOU COULD FACE EACH OTHER.
HOW SO?
NO?
TSURUGI AND NINOMIYA ARE IN 3RD GRADE.
BUT THEY STILL ARE IN THE UNDER 10 GROUP.
SO THOSE WERE ONLY 3RD GRADERS
THAT'S WHAT YOU WERE GOING TO SAY, RIGHT?
NO, THAT'S NOT IT...
PFF
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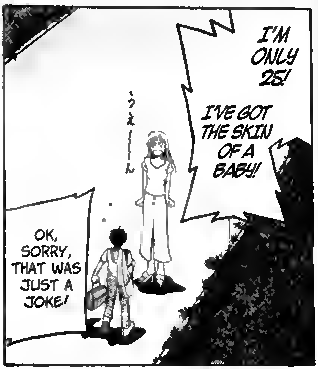
AT THIS RATE, WE'LL BE LATE FOR CHECK IN!
MUM, HURRY UP!

WHAT?!
YOU'RE ALREADY THAT OLD?


I'M ONLY 25!
I'VE GOT THE SKIN OF A BABY!!
OK, SORRY, THAT WAS JUST A JOKE!

WAIT A MOMENT TSURUGI!
YOUR MOTHER DOESN'T GET MUCH EXERCISE THESE DAYS

HEY!
WAH!
MAKE WAY! WATCH OUT!
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Jump
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M... MUM!
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ゴン!
KYAH!
URGH!
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THAT HURTS!!!

MUM, WHY ARE YOU EXCUSING YOURSELF, HE BUMPED INTO YOU!
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SORRY..
MATCH WHERE YOU WALK!
PAY A LITTLE ATTENTION YOU OLD HAG!
WHAT'S THE MATTER WITH YOU? THINK I'M WRONG, DON'T YOU?
YES YOU ARE WRONG!
EH- WHAT ARE Y'ALL DOING?
OH, SUCH AUDACITY!
AH, MR TACHIGAMI!
MOVE YOUR ASS OR THEY'LL CLOSE THE APPLICATIONS!
YOU SHOULD EXCUSE YOURSELF FOR THAT.
UWAH!
SHIT, YOU KNOW THAT YAKUZA!

EH?
WHAT?
LOOKS
IDIOT!
WAIT A SEC ASS-HOLE!
THAT GUY
NEXT TIME I SEE HIM I'LL BREAK HIM IN HALF!
UM.. MR TACHI-GAMI
I..I DIDN'T SEE ANY-THING! NOT A THING!

SO...
YOU'RE BACK IN JAPAN
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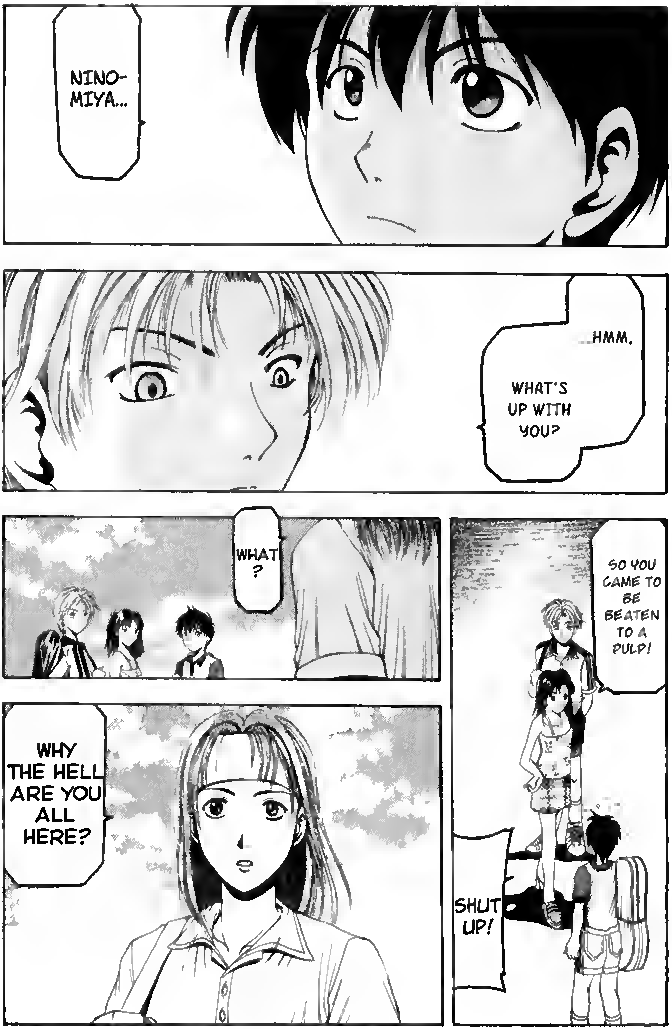
YOU SEEM TO BE WELL
YES.
HIM?
THANKS TO HIM,
YOU COULD SAY...
PER-HAPS.
MORE THAN YAMA-NOHE?

THAT KID IS OKITA SHUUJI'S SON!
WHILE YOU WERE AWAY, NEW MEMBERS HAVE ENLISTED IN THE CLUB.
HIS POTENTIAL CAN GO PAR TO PAR WITH YOU WHEN SERIOUS
HIS STYLE OF PLAYING IS DIFFERENT FROM HIS FATHER ATHOUGH
OKITA SHUUJI'S SON?
YES
YOU WON'T MEET HIM DURING THAT TOURNAMENT, MOST LIKELY
YES HOWEVER HE'S JUST IN 3RD GRADE
HE MUST BE AN EXTRAORDINARY PLAYER.
I HAVE TO FACE HIM.
SO THAT WAS HIM ...
OKITA SHUUJI'S SON

I THOUGHT THEY WERE GOING TO FIGHT
HEY! OVER HERE YUZURI!
I'BOUGHT SOMETHING TO DRINK
KYAH!
S... SORRY!
NO, IT'S OK...
ABOUT TSURUGI,
WE'LL HAVE TO DECIDE BIT BY BIT WHICH MATCHS HE SHOULD TAKE.
THIS TIME, HE ENROLLED AT THE LAST MOMENT!
YEAH, I UNDERSTAND
IT'S HIS FIRST TIME IN A BIG TOURNAMENT
I HOPE HE'LL BE ALL RIGHT

I'VE BEEN A REALLY TOUGH TRAINER.
HE HAS NO OPPONENT IN THE UNDER 10 GROUP!
I SHOULDN'T WORRY THEN.
AH ...
...FURTHER-MORE, THE FIRST TOURNA-MENT WE WERE IN WITH SHUUJI ..
...WAS THIS ONE
REALLY ?
AT 9 YEARS OLD, LIKE SHUUJI
AT THIS TIME SHU-UJI ...
...WAS DOING REALLY INCRED-IBLE THINGS
INCRE-DIBLE?

PLEASE GATHER TO HEAR THE MATCHES' ORDER!
I'LL START BY WATCHING MY BROTHER'S MATCH,
IT'LL BE FUN
I THOUGHT I HAD ALREADY SPOKEN WITH HER ABOUT THAT..
HEY, STOP MAKING THAT FACE!
JUST NO
WHAT?
AH


NINO-MIYA...
...HMM.
WHAT'S UP WITH YOU?
WHAT?
SO YOU CAME TO BE BEATEN TO A PULP!
WHY THE HELL ARE YOU ALL HERE?
SHUT UP!

ISN'T THIS THE UNDER 12 GROUP?
WE KNOW.....
WHY, SHOULD WE BE SEPARATED FROM THE UNDER 12 GROUP?
WELL,
IT'S NOT LIKE I'D WANT TO PISS YOU OFF, BUT...
HEY YOU, LOOK OVER THERE!
YOU'D BETTER TAKE MY BROTHER SERIOUSLY.
SHUT UP.
OUCH!
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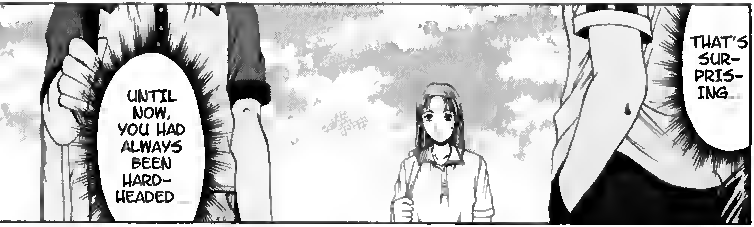
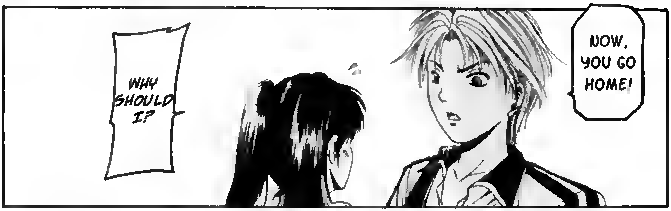
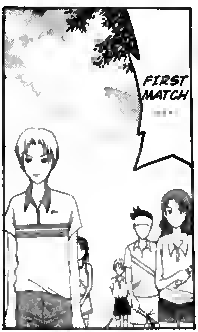

THAT'S SURPRISING...
UNTIL NOW, YOU HAD ALWAYS BEEN HARD-HEADED...


NOW, YOU GO HOME!
WHY SHOULD I?

BUT TSURUGI ...
IT MAY BE TOO MUCH FOR HIM...

NINOMIYA LIKELY HAS
HIS PLACE AMONG THE UNDER 12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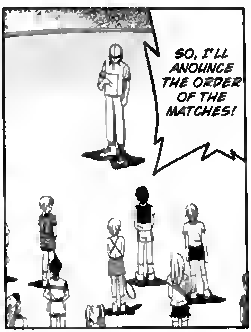
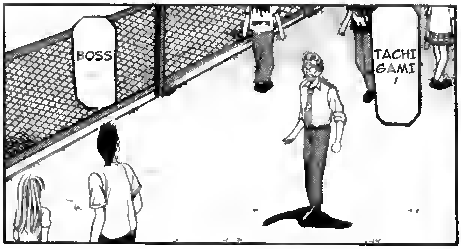

SO, I'LL ANOUNCE THE ORDER OF THE MATCHES!

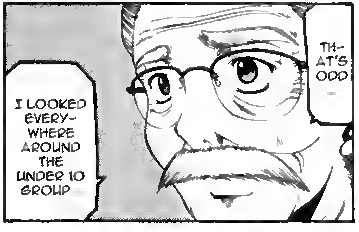
YES!!
OKITA TSURUGI !!
OKITA ...
SINCE HE'S IN 3RD GRADE, HE PROBABLY WON'T PLAY AGAINST YOU.
OKI-TA ...
IN 3RD GRA-DE.
AS FAR AS GAME IS CON-CERNED, HE WAS YOU DON'T HAVE.

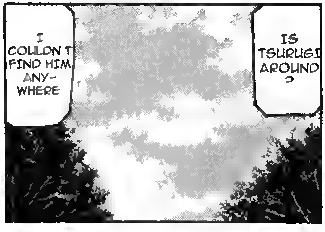
SO YOU'RE OKITA SHUUJI'S SON.
OKAY...
THESE MATCHES ...
WILL BE FASCI-NATING.

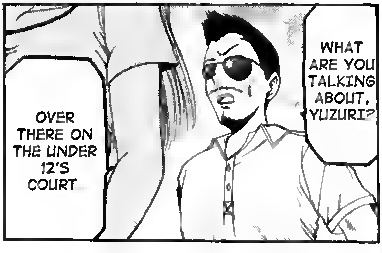
AGAINST, LET'S SEE...
SO YOU'LL PLAY ON COURT 1...
YES!
YOU'RE OKITA?
YUKAWA DAISUKE!
TH-AT'S ME.
THAT ONE...
NO!
THE GUY FROM LAST TIME!
WHAT!

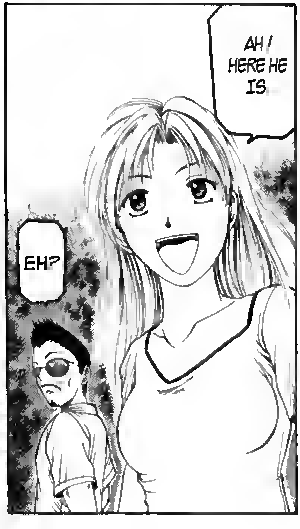
PFFT
AGAINST A DWARF, IT'LL BE TOO EASY.
SO YOU'RE MY OPPONENT HAHA.
YOU'RE OLDER THAN I THOUGHT
AH HA HA
HEY, WHO ARE YOU CALLING A DWARF?
KUK ...
A SECRET TECH-NI--QUE?
I'LL SHOW YOU MY SECRET TECH-NIQUE.
DURING OUR MATCH,

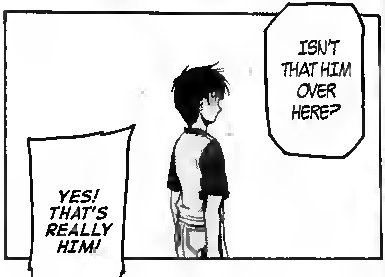

BOSS
TACHIBAMI!


I LOOKED EVERYWHERE AROUND THE UNDER 10 GROUP
TH-AT'S ODD


I COULDN'T FIND HIM ANYWHERE
IS TSUBUGI AROUND?


OVER THERE ON THE UNDER 12'S COURT
WHAT ARE YOU TALKING ABOUT, YUZURI?


AH! HERE HE IS
EH?


ISN'T THAT HIM OVER HERE?
YES! THAT'S REALLY HIM!

BUT...
WHAT'S THAT BRAT DOING IN THE UNDER 12 CAT-EGORY...
MUM!
KYA! TSUKUGI! GOOD LUCK!!
DAMN I DIDN'T SAY ANYTHING TO THE COACH
WHAT DO YOU THINK YOU ARE DOING THERE, YOU...
WAIT A SECOND! I NEVER AU-THORIZED YOU!
BUT YOU SAID TO DO WHAT I FELT LIKE DOING!

1 SET MATCH.
YUKAWA SERVING.
HE REALLY IS LIKE SHUUJI TO THE END..
REALLY...
AT THE AGE OF 9, SHUUJI TOO...
YEAH
TO THE END
...PLAYED IN THE UNDER 12 CATEGORY.
YOU'RE REFERRING TO THOSE "EXTRAORDINARY THINGS" YOU MENTIONED EARLIER?
LET'S GO!!

WE COULD HAVE EXPECTED AN EASY VICTORY
IF HE HAD PLAYED IN THE UNDER 10 CATEGORY,
OF COURSE.
YOU SEEM WORRIED
AND HE'LL DO AS HE HAS DECIDED...
HE DOESN'T WANT AN EASY VICTORY
BUT THAT'S NOT THE CASE ANYMORE, IS IT?
WELL, IT'LL BE REALLY EASY
...TO WIN THIS MATCH!

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HEHE,
JUST A NORMAL SERVE
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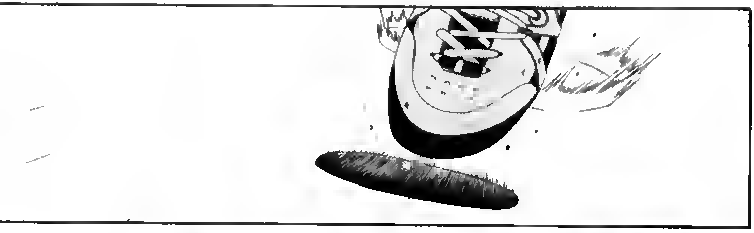
15 - 0 !
WHAT? IT SUDDENLY CHANGED COURSE!

HEHEHE, DID YOU SEE THAT? IT'S MY SECRET TECH-NIQUE!
A SUPER SLICED SERVE!
SUPER SLICED?
THE SLICED SERVE WE JUST SAW...
USUALLY, YOU SHOULD GENTLY PUT A TOPSPIN ON THE BALL TO THE RIGHT,
BUT THIS ONE,
IT HAD A REALLY STRONG SPIN.
HA, THAT'S WHAT A PLAYER IS, UNLIKE YOU!
WH...
SO THAT'S HIS SECRET TECH-NIQUE!

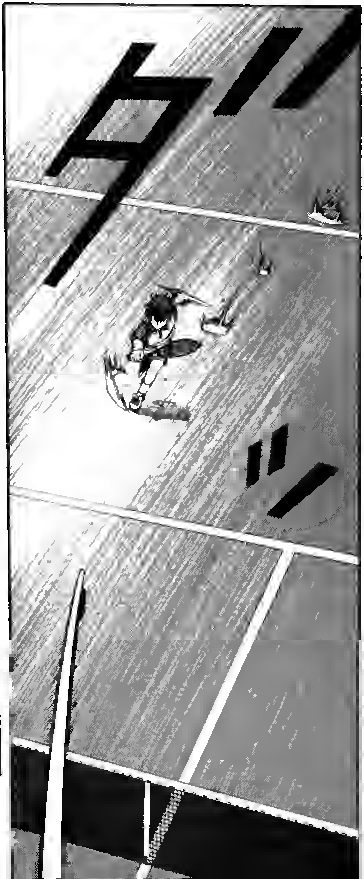
ONE MORE TIME!
OK, I UNDER-STAND, IT'S GOING TO THE RIGHT
SO IF I MOVE AHEAD ...
I'M NOT AFRAID ONE BIT!
IDI-OT.
NOW ALL THAT'S LEFT TO DO IS TO PUT IT ON THE LEFT!

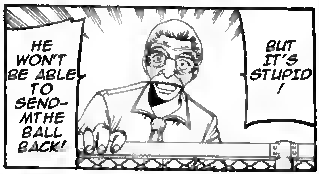
OPEN COURT!
SHIT!
30 - 0 !
SO LAME ...
CLEARLY IT'S HARD FOR HIM IN THAT STYLE OF PLAY
DON'T GIVE UP TSURUGI
PFFT ...
YOU ASKED FOR IT.

I'LL JUST BE PUSHED BACK AGAIN
IF I SIMPLY RECOVER,
SO, WHAT ARE YOU GONNA DO?
THERE ISN'T!
YOU THINK THERE'S A GOOD WAY?



BUT... IS HE CRAZY?!
HE IMMEDIATELY STEPPED TO THE NET!




HE WON'T BE ABLE TO SEND THE BALL BACK!
BUT IT'S STUPID!

...BUT,

I'LL HIT IT BEFORE IT TURNS!
HUH ?!

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RISING SHOT.
AH...

WOW! WHAT WAS THAT SHOT?!
30 - 15 !!
BUT WHO IS THAT DWARF?
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HE CAN COME UP WITH SUCH MOVES DURING A MATCH...
THAT GUY ...
.....
HE SURPRISES ME. THAT WAS THE HELL OF AN ATTACK.

HOW COULD I???
YUKAWA-BUCHOU, PLEASE CALM DOWN
YOU DIDN'T TELL ME THAT OHTA'S SON WOULD PARTICIPATE IN THE TENNIS TOURNAMENT I ORGANIZED!
EVEN WORSE, HIS OPPONENT IS MY GRANDSON!
HUH?
WHAT!?
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SO WHAT DO WE DO?
I'VE DECIDED, WE MUST STOP IT

DAMN!
GAME, SET AND MATCH, OHTA!
IT SEEMS TO BE OVER...
YOU ASS-HOLE, OKITA!
YOU INTEND TO RIDICULE ME ONCE AGAIN!

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8 Revenge

OKITA TSURUGI ADVANCES TO THE SECOND ROUND!
GREAT!
25TH TENNIS TOURNAM

THE QUALIFIED PLAYERS ARE ASKED TO PROCEED TO THE NEXT COURT!
LET'S GO TO THE SECOND ROUND!
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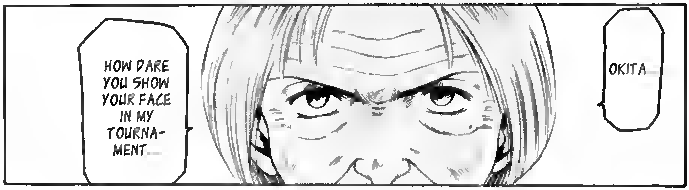
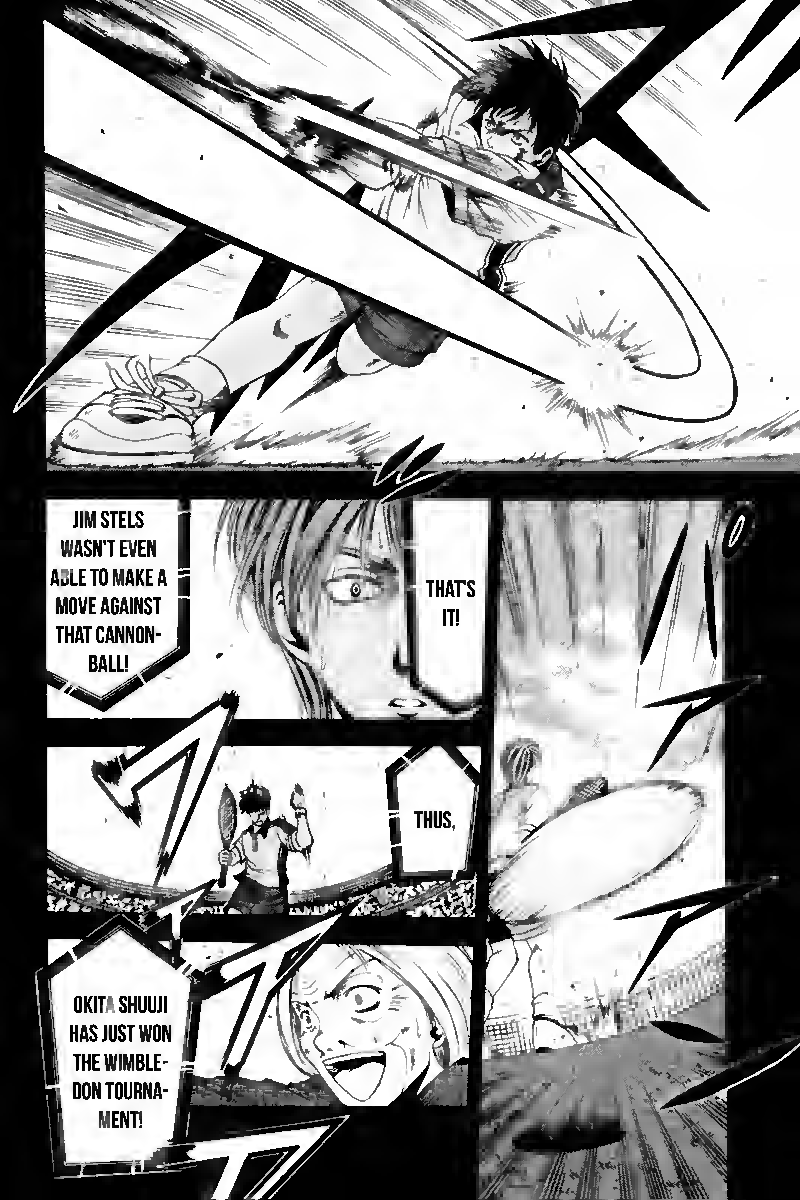
AH
THOSE TWO
THEY WON?!
#11


OKITA...
HOW DARE YOU SHOW YOUR FACE IN MY TOURNA-MENT...

I'LL NEVER FORGET, I'M SURE... ALL THAT HAPPENED AT THAT TIME
OKITA SHUUJI IS ONE POINT AWAY FROM WINNING WIMBLEDON!
OPPOSING HIM, THE YOUNG 16 YEAR OLD SWEDISH PRODIGY, JIM STELS!
HE WON'T BE BEATEN THAT EASILY!

LET'S GO!
WILL IT BE THE LAST SERVICE?


JIM STELS WASN'T EVEN ABLE TO MAKE A MOVE AGAINST THAT CANNON-BALL!
THAT'S IT!
THUS,
OKITA SHUUJI HAS JUST WON THE WIMBLE-DON TOURNA-MENT!

CHEH
UM..
WE COULD HAVE HIM DISQUALI-FIED..
B BOSS ?
EH?
PFFT... IT'S OK.
HUH
That per-son .
WHY, YOU WANTED TO DIS-QUALIFY HIM THAT SADLY?
WHAT? I DIDN'T!
WELL, ALL THIS IS GETTING ON MY NERVES
LET'S GO HOME
IT'S .. OK?

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I'LL BE IN THE CAR.
GOOD.
I GUESS YOU ARE...
.....
WAS IT TO SHOW YOUR INGRATITUDE ONCE MORE?
WHAT WAS YOUR GOAL IN LETTING YOUR SON PARTICIPATE IN MY TOURNAMENT?
NO, THAT'S NOT IT
EVEN IF IT WAS 9 YEARS AGO, DO YOU THINK THIS OLD WOMAN HAS FORGOTTEN?
YES, IT'S BEEN A WHILE
HM.

BUT ME,
I'VE KNOWN IT SINCE HIS CHILD-HOOD
OKITA SHUUJI, HOWEVER TALENTED HE WAS, HAS RECEIVED MANY HONORS,
BUT THAT MAN...
BUT ALL THIS HAS NOTHING TO DO...
WITH HIS PARTICI-PATION TODAY?
YOU HAVEN'T FORGOT-TEN, HAVE YOU?
WHAT HAP-PENED AT THAT TIME!
YES, I RE-MEM-BER
YES
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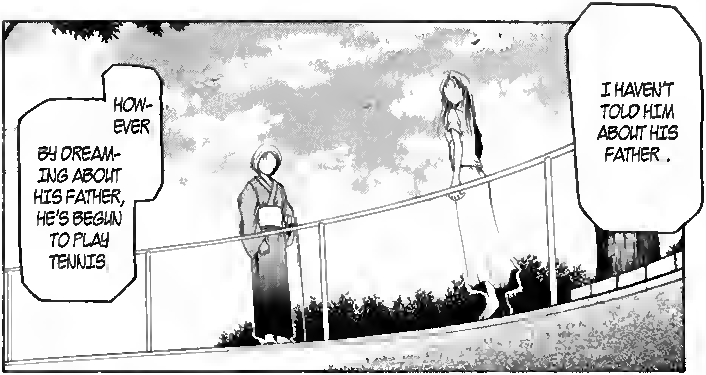
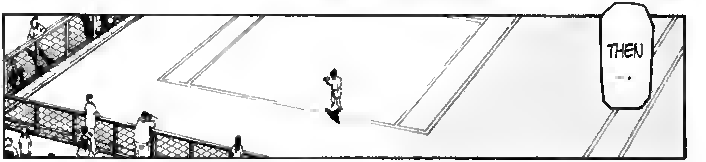
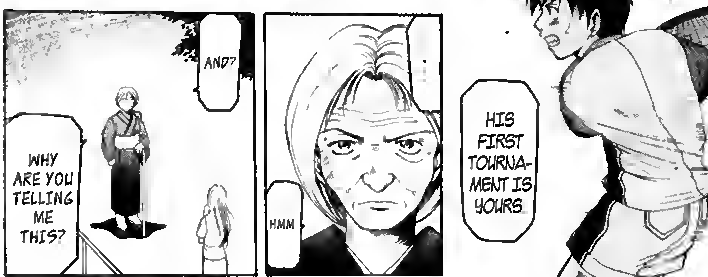

I HAVEN'T TOLD HIM ABOUT HIS FATHER.
HOW-EVER BY DREAM-ING ABOUT HIS FATHER, HE'S BEGUN TO PLAY TENNIS.

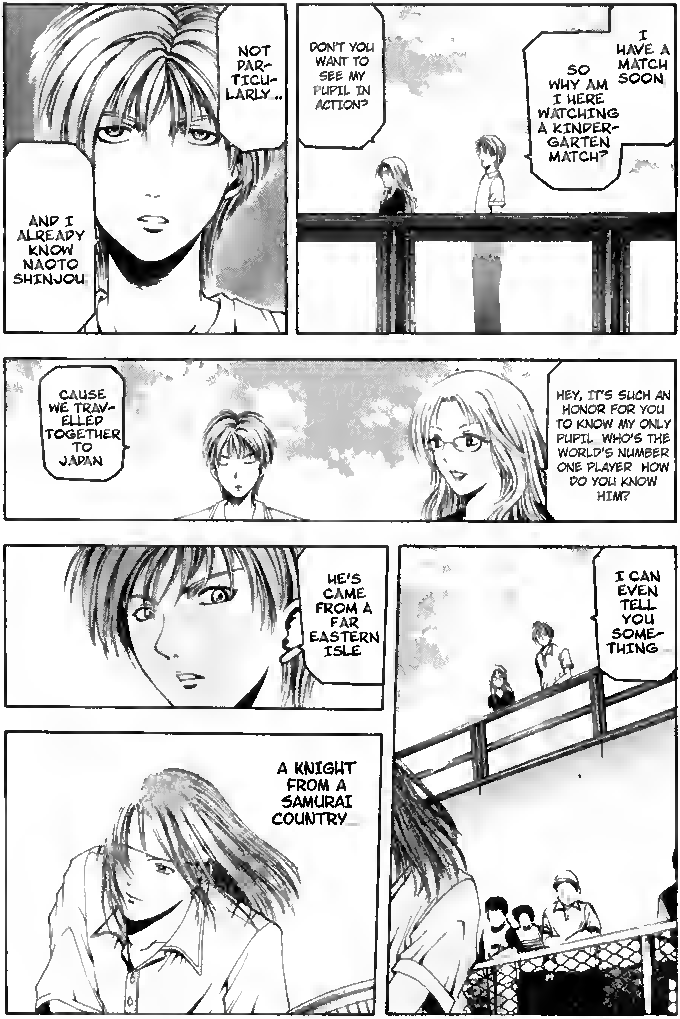

THEN...

THAT'S THE VERY TRUTH.


AND?
WHY ARE YOU TELLING ME THIS?
HMM...
BY CHANCE,
HIS FIRST TOURNA-MENT IS YOURS.

IF HE CONTINUES TENNIS,
HE'LL EVENTUALLY LEARN THE TRUTH
STAY SILENT?
PLEASE, DON'T TELL HIM ANYTHING YET.
BUT FOR HIS FIRST TOURNAMENT,
HE SHOULDN'T HAVE TO HAVE SUCH A BURDEN
I HAVE NO INTENTION OF DISTURBING HIM
...
BUT WON'T HE WILL HAVE TO MEET THAT PERSON?
THAT PERSON?
AND... I'D LIKE HIM TO ENJOY PLAYING
THE VICTIM OF THE OKITA SCANDAL
HE'S BEEN INVITED TO THE FKO TOURNAMENT THAT TAKES PLACE AFTER THIS ONE

JIM STELS ...
HEY, ISN'T THAT JIM STELS?
NO! WHAT WOULD HE BE DOING HERE?
WOW, THEY WANT YOUR AUTO-GRAPH!
BUT IT FRIGHT-ENS YOU IN A WAY, NO?
YOU COULD AT LEAST WAVE TO THEM!
THEY ARE YOUR FANS YOU KNOW!
...
SO,
YOU'RE IN YOUR USUAL GRUMPY MOOD.


NOT PAR-TICU-LARLY..
AND I ALREADY KNOW NAOTO SHINJOU
I HAVE A MATCH SOON
SO WHY AM I HERE WATCHING A KINDER-GARTEN MATCH?
DON'T YOU WANT TO SEE MY PUPIL IN ACTION?
HEY, IT'S SUCH AN HONOR FOR YOU TO KNOW MY ONLY PUPIL. WHO'S THE WORLD'S NUMBER ONE PLAYER. HOW DO YOU KNOW HIM?
CAUSE WE TRAV-ELLED TOGETHER TO JAPAN
I CAN EVEN TELL YOU SOME-THING
HE'S CAME FROM A FAR EASTERN ISLE
A KNIGHT FROM A SAMURAI COUNTRY

THE SCORE IS CLOSE.
THOSE TWO ONLY DO BASELINE STROKES.
THAT'S REALLY AN INTENSE MATCH.
YEA
WHO LOOKS WEAKER?
HAA HAA HAA

WHAT'S WITH THIS GUY?
SHIT
HIS BALLS AREN'T THAT POWERFUL.
AND THEY AREN'T PARTICULARLY ELABORATE
SHIVER
HE'S STARING AT ME.

HE DOESN'T WALK EVEN ONE STEP FORWARD...
EH?

HEY, WAKE UP HAIRY ONE!
AT LEAST SEND THE BALL BACK!
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40 - 30 !
IT'S HARD NONE-THE-LESS...
BUT TRAINER LUCILLE TOLD ME TO DO IT THIS WAY...
HM
YOU REALLY ARE A MERCI-LESS COACH.
ARE YOU THE ONE MAKING HIM DO THAT?
DO WHAT?
EH... HIS RACKET IS KIND OF WEIRD...
THE RACK-ET?
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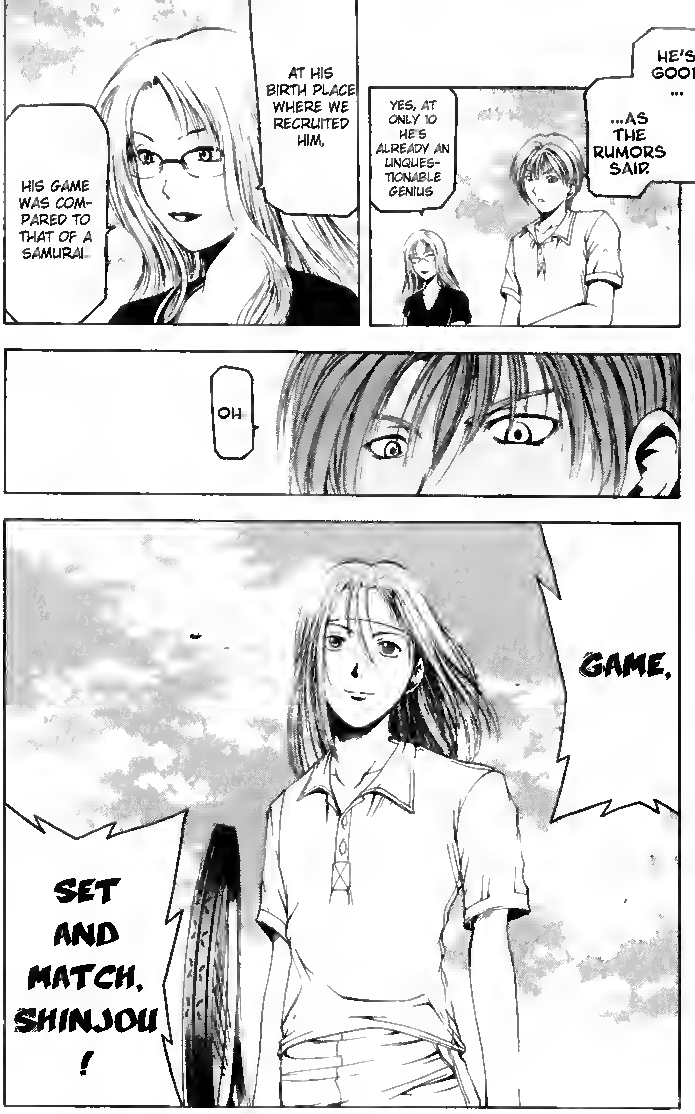
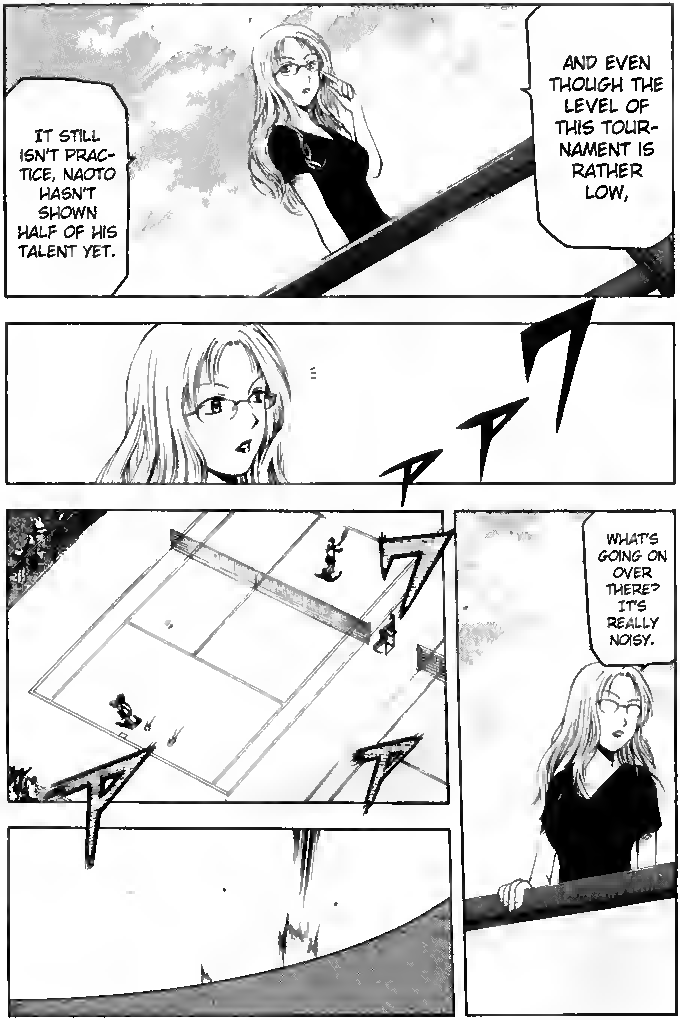
WHAT'S WITH HIS RACKET?
WHAT?
DAMN IT!
WHAT?
HE PLAYED WITH THAT UP TILL NOW?
HEY FUCKER, STOP LAUGH-ING AT ME!
HE CAN ONLY HIT WITH THE CENTER!


HIS GAME WAS COMPARED TO THAT OF A SAMURAI.
AT HIS BIRTH PLACE WHERE WE RECRUITED HIM,
YES, AT ONLY 10 HE'S ALREADY AN UNQUESTIONABLE GENIUS
HE'S GOOD ...
...AS THE RUMORS SAID
OH
GAME,
SET AND MATCH, SHINJOU!


AND EVEN THOUGH THE LEVEL OF THIS TOURNAMENT IS RATHER LOW,
IT STILL ISN'T PRACTICE, NAOTO HASN'T SHOWN HALF OF HIS TALENT YET.
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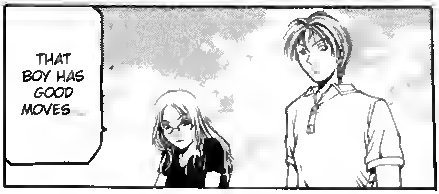
WHAT'S GOING ON OVER THERE? IT'S REALLY NOISY.


THAT BOY HAS GOOD MOVES

THAT FACE. IT RINGS A BELL.

IT'S JUST LUCK
IF HE WAS LITTLE TALLER, WE COULD HAVE RE-CRUITED HIM.

UWAH!
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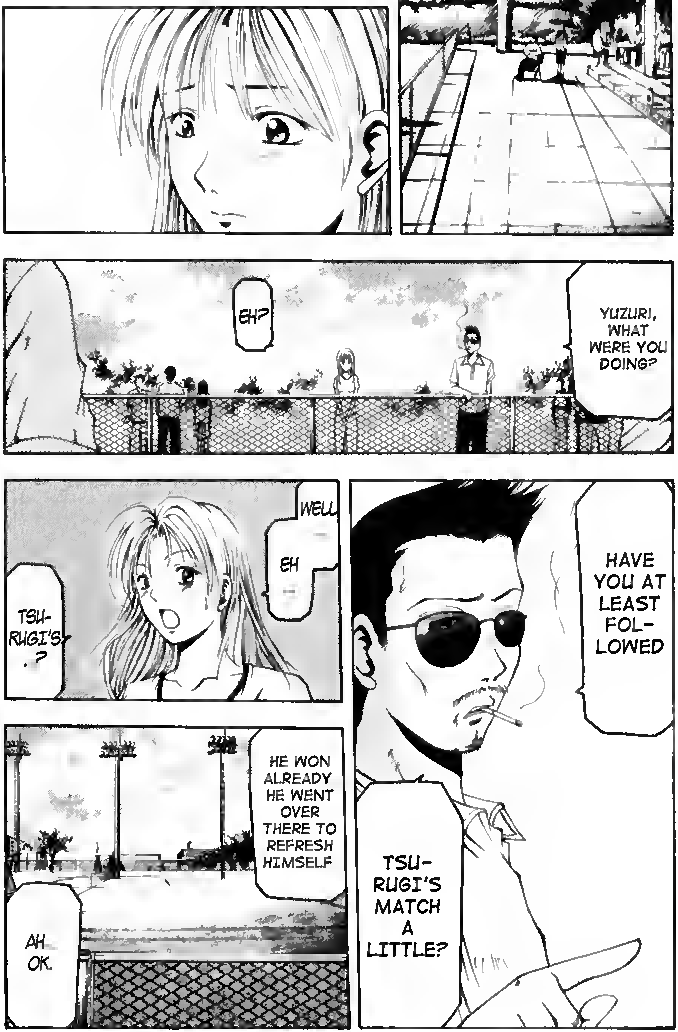
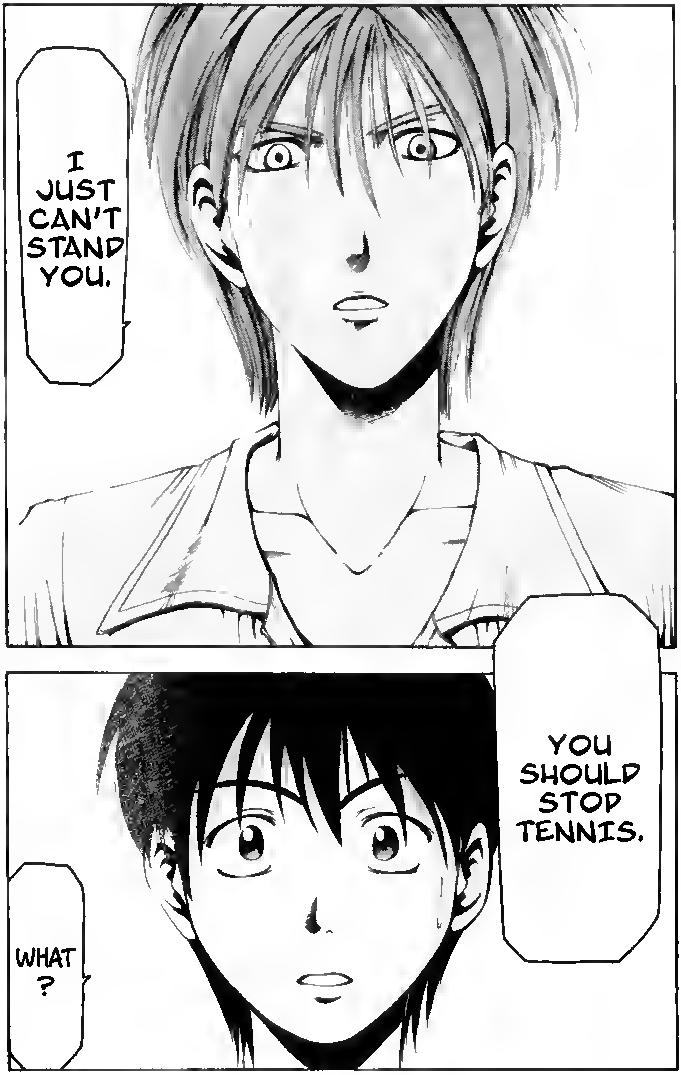
YEAH!
GAME, SET AND MATCH.
OKITA!
HIS GAME IS INCREDIBLY AGGRESSIVE.
HE DID A SMASH IN SUCH AN UNBALANCED STANCE!
EH?
BUT WHO MIGHT HE BE?
STELS?
WHERE HAS HE GONE AGAIN...

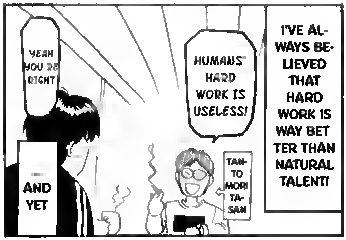

EH?
YUZURI, WHAT WERE YOU DOING?
WELL...
EH...
TSU-RUGI'S...?
HAVE YOU AT LEAST FOL-LOWED
TSU-RUGI'S MATCH A LITTLE?
HE WON ALREADY HE WENT OVER THERE TO REFRESH HIMSELF
AH OK.

THAT TOURNA-MENT...
EH?
THIS SITUA-TION. IF WE DON'T DO ANYTHING IT'LL BE ALRIGHT, WON'T IT?
WHOA!
I'M ALIVE AGAIN!
NOTHING IN THAT SITUA-TION...
EH?

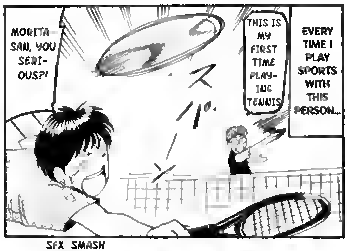
WHO
WHO IS THAT?

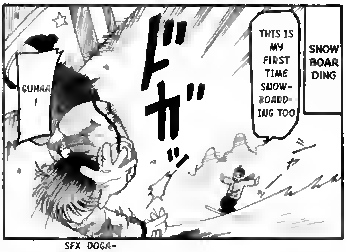
EH?
ARE YOU REALLY SHUUJI OKITA'S SON?
EH... YES.
WHAT'S WITH HIM?
OK.
CONGRATULATIONS.
YOU'VE REACHED THE SECOND ROUND?
YES
BUT?
WHAT?
HOLY SHIT.
HOW COULD I LOSE AGAINST SUCH A DWARF?

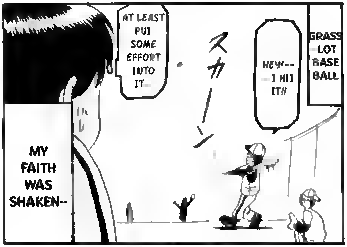

I JUST CAN'T STAND YOU.
YOU SHOULD STOP TENNIS.
WHAT ?

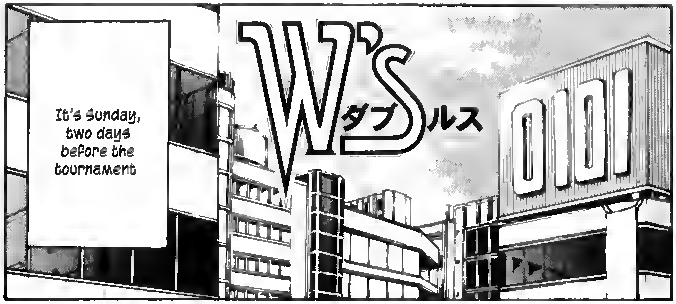

YEAH YOU'RE RIGHT
AND YET
HUMANS' HARD WORK IS USELESS!
TAN-TO MORI TA-SAN
I'VE ALWAYS BELIEVED THAT HARD WORK IS WAY BETTER THAN NATURAL TALENT!

DOUBLES 4-FRAME THEATER: #4 TALENT AND EFFORT








W's
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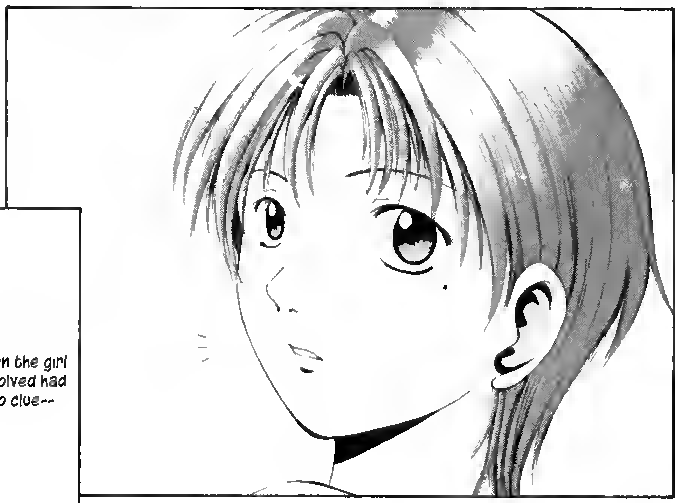
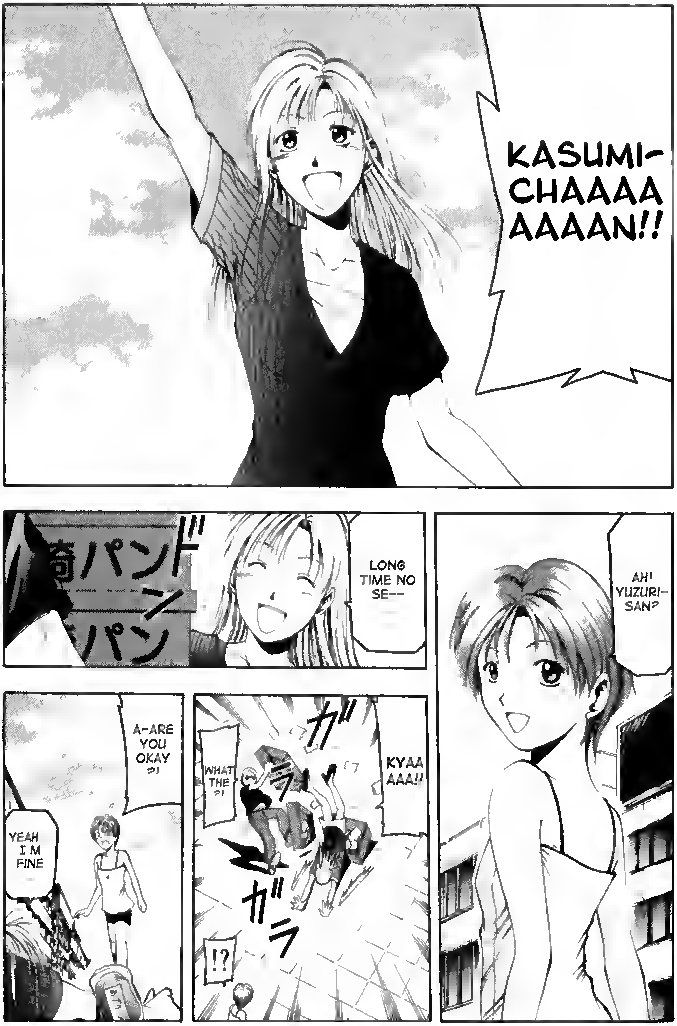
It's Sunday, two days before the tournament

No one would ever have thought
KA-SUMI-CHAA AN!
that a friendly chat could have lead to a match with a skilled player


Even the girl involved had no clue--

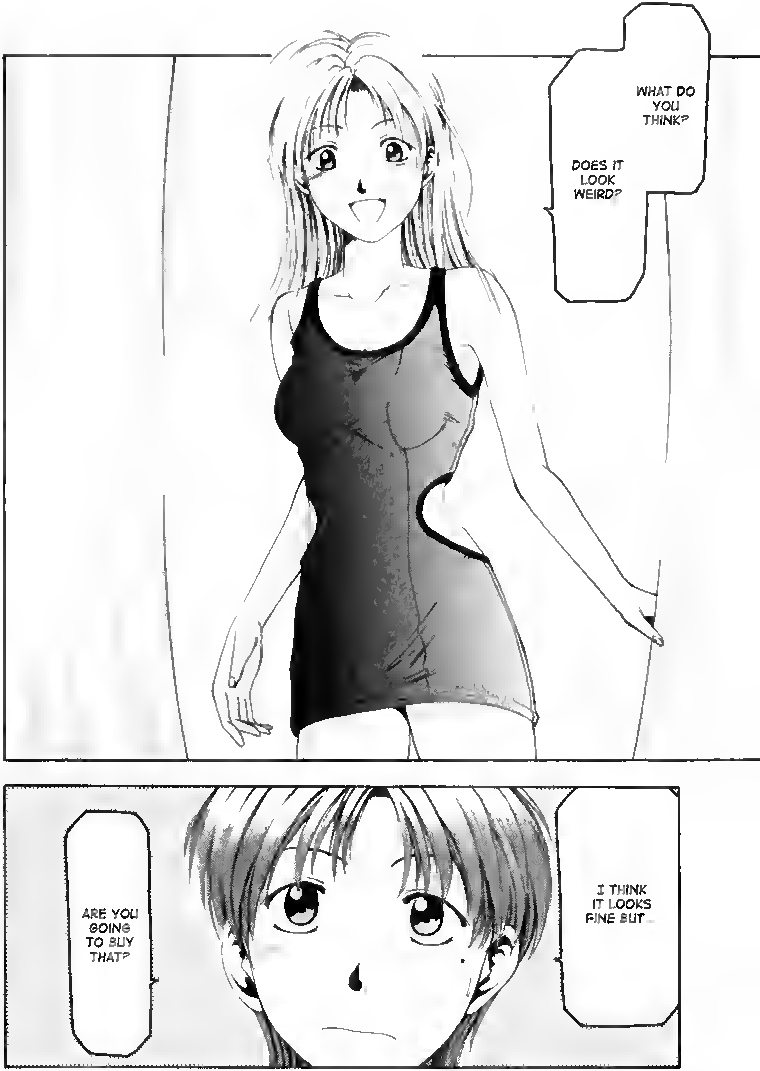
W's ダブルス

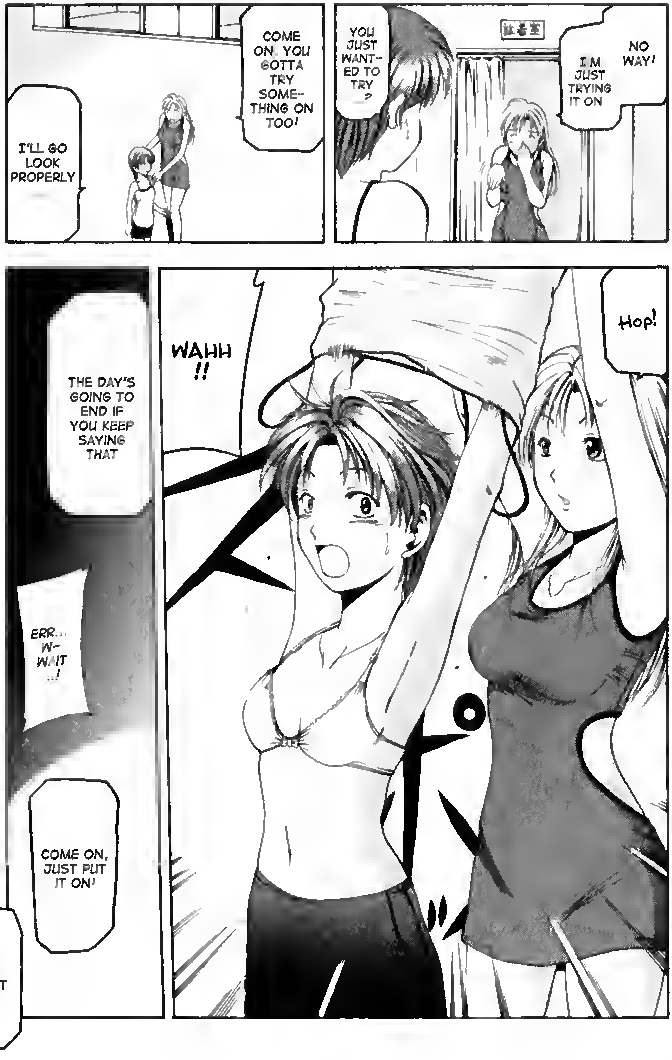
Side Story

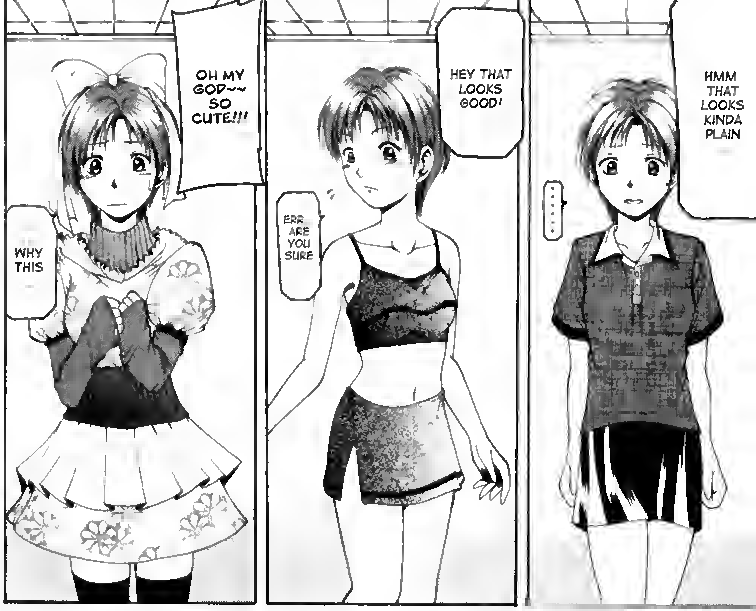

KASUMI-CHAAAAAAAN!!
LONG TIME NO SE--
AH! YUZURI-SAN?
KYAAAAA!!
WHAT THE ?!
A-ARE YOU OKAY ?!
YEAH I'M FINE

WHERE ARE YOU GOING THIS EARLY IN THE MORNING?
OH - A DATE?
N-NO, THAT'S NOT IT!!
I TENNIS TOURNAMENT THE DAY AFTER TOMORROW SO I THOUGHT I'D GET SOME NEW SPORTS-WEAR
What are you doing ?!
E-but that person just suddenly ..
EH? YOU'RE GETTING NEW SPORTS-WEAR?
THEN SHOULD I GO WITH YOU!
HUH?
YOU SURE?
IF YOU DON'T HAVE ANY ERRANDS
YEAH, OF COURSE! I FORGOT WHAT THEY WERE WHEN I FELL ANYWAYS
OKAY

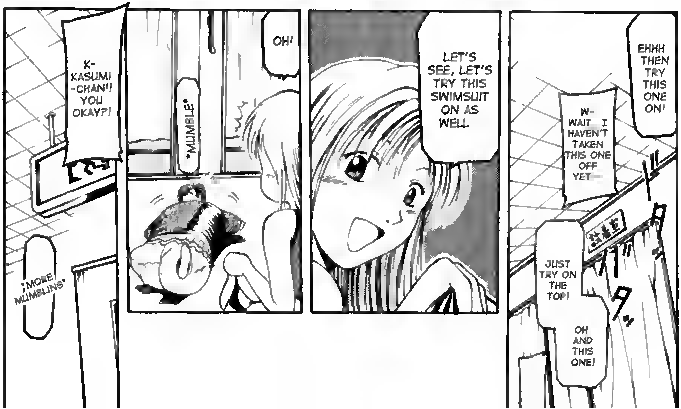
Morita Sports
HMM... THEY HAVE A LOT, HUH?
FEELS LIKE I'LL NEVER BE ABLE TO MAKE A CHOICE
YEAH, I CAN NEVER DECIDE WHAT I WANT HERE
試着室
HEY, THIS IS PRETTY CUTE!! DO YOU THINK I CAN TRY IT ON?
EH...


WHAT DO YOU THINK?
DOES IT LOOK WEIRD?
I THINK IT LOOKS FINE BUT...
ARE YOU GOING TO BUY THAT?


I'LL GO LOOK PROPERLY
COME ON. YOU GOTTA TRY SOME-THING ON TOO!
YOU JUST WANT-ED TO TRY ...?
試着室
I'M JUST TRYING IT ON
NO WAY!
NO W-WAAIT ...
COME ON, JUST PUT IT ON!
ERR... W-WAIT ...!
THE DAY'S GOING TO END IF YOU KEEP SAYING THAT
WAHH !!
Hop!


OH MY GOD~~ SO CUTE!!!
WHY THIS
HEY THAT LOOKS GOOD!
ERR ARE YOU SURE
HMM THAT LOOKS KINDA PLAIN
. . .

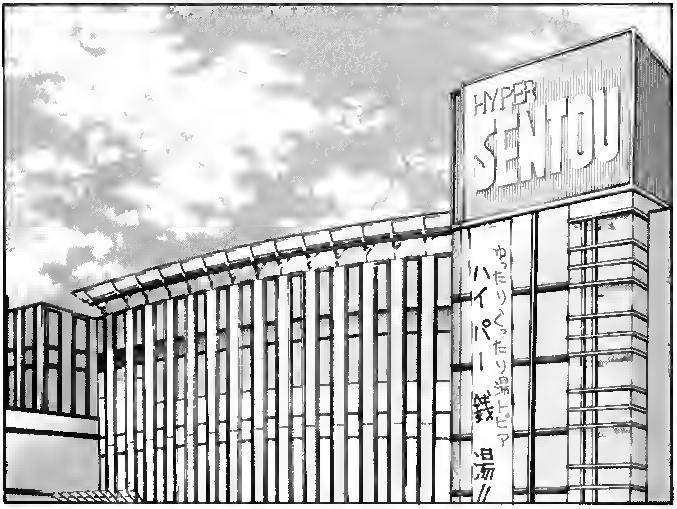
NO FREAKING WAY
ARE YOU KIDDING ME?
WEAR THIS ONE TO THE TOURNA-MENT!!
YOU LOOK LIKE A DOLL~~!!

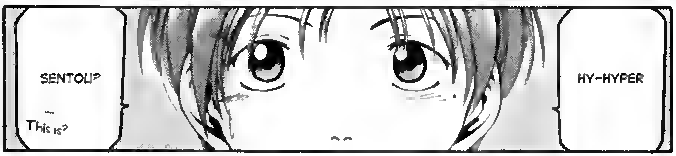

K-KASUMI-CHAN!! YOU OKAY?!
"MUMBLE"
"MORE MUMBLING"
OH!
LET'S SEE, LET'S TRY THIS SWIMSUIT ON AS WELL.
EHHH THEN TRY THIS ONE ON!
W-WAIT I HAVEN'T TAKEN THIS ONE OFF YET--
JUST TRY ON THE TOP!
OH AND THIS ONE!

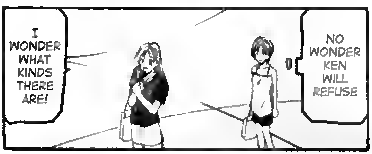
IT'S OKAY, I BOUGHT WHAT I NEEDED ANYWAYS
I'M SORRY LOOKS LIKE I MADE IT WORSE
...
WHEN DID SHE ?
ばっ
OH YEAH, I BOUGHT KEN NEW SPORTS-WEAR TOO!
BUT HE WOULD DEFINITELY REFUSE
THE TRUTH IS I WANTED TO GO SOME-WHERE NICE WITH KEN TODAY
WHICH REMINDS ME YUZURI-SAN, YOU DON'T HAVE WORK TODAY?
OH! DOES KASUMI-CHAN WANNA COME ALONG?!
SOME WHERE N CE?
YEAH, IT'S MY DAY OFF! IT'S GOOD TO TAKE A LITTLE BREAK SOME-TIMES
WHERE ARE WE GOING?
ERR THAT'S FINE WITH ME BUT

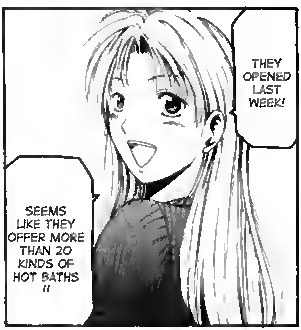
T/N *SENTOU BATH-HOUSE, YOU PAY TO HAVE A HOT BATH

SIGN: SPACIOUS AND RELAXING HOT BATH TOPIA HYPER SENTOU*!!

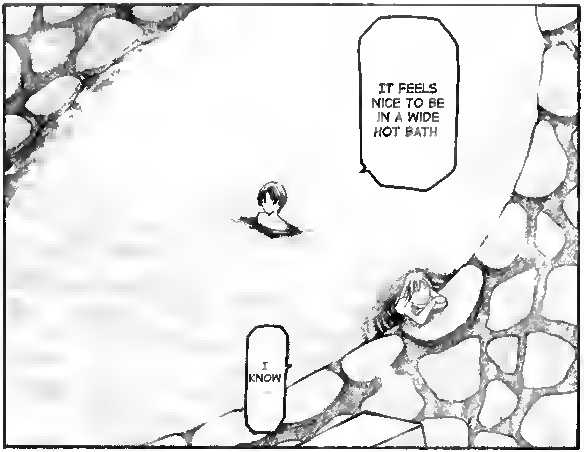


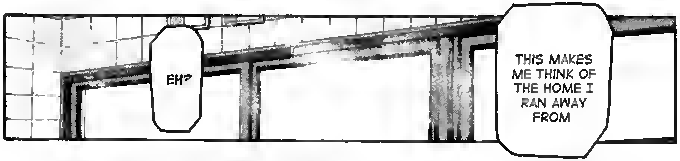


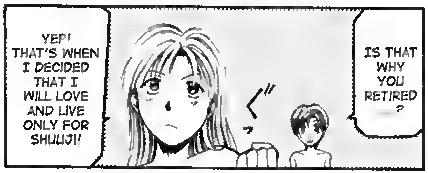


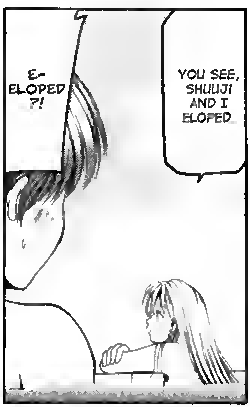


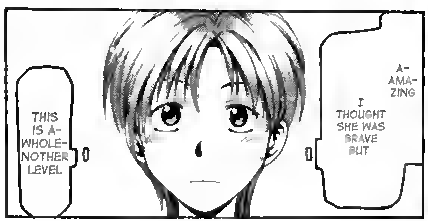
WOMEN'S BATH
I STILL THINK I SHOULD'VE BROUGHT KEN
YOU SEEM REALLY CLOSE TO HIM
YEP!
I DEFINITELY WILL BRING HIM NEXT TIME!
THEN WE'LL ALL TAKE A BATH TOGETHER!
UM, THAT'S OKAY. I REALLY DON'T

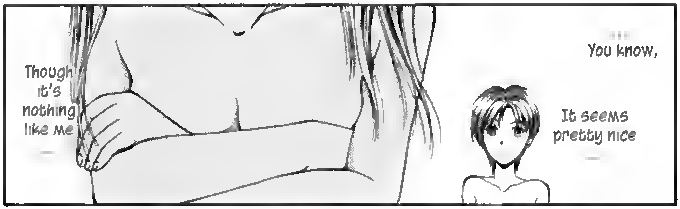

IT FEELS NICE TO BE IN A WIDE HOT BATH
I KNOW

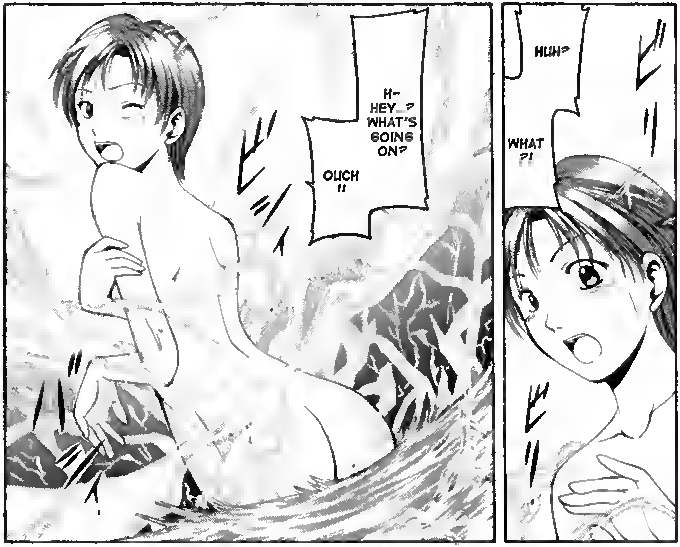

EH?
THIS MAKES ME THINK OF THE HOME I RAN AWAY FROM

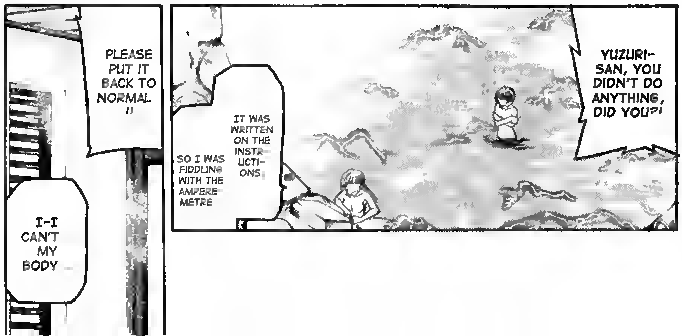

YEP! THAT'S WHEN I DECIDED THAT I WILL LOVE AND LIVE ONLY FOR SHUIJI!
IS THAT WHY YOU RETIRED?


E-ELOPED?!
YOU SEE, SHUIJI AND I ELOPED


THIS IS A-WHOLE-NOTHER LEVEL
A-AMA-ZING
I THOUGHT SHE WAS BRAVE BUT


Though it's nothing like me
You know,
It seems pretty nice


H-HEY...? WHAT'S GOING ON?
OUCH !!
HUH?
WHAT?!


PLEASE PUT IT BACK TO NORMAL !!
I-I CAN'T MY BODY
SO I WAS FIDDLING WITH THE AMPERE METRE
IT WAS WRITTEN ON THE INSTRUCTIONS
YUZURI-SAN, YOU DIDN'T DO ANYTHING, DID YOU?!

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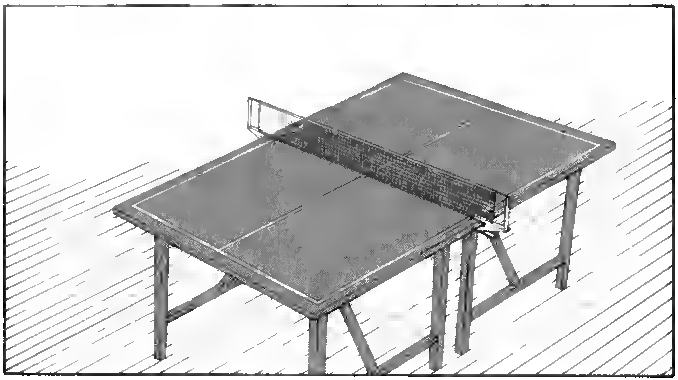
HOT FLASHES ALREADY?
WE STILL HAVE THE HERB SAUNA TO GO TO
ブウウン
WE WE DID GO TO EVERY SINGLE HOT BATH THERE IS
ISN'T IT THE BEST? YUKATA AFTER HOT BATH!
It's warm and comfy~
SAY, ARE YOU WEARING A YUKATA...?
HMM?
SEE! THERE'S ONE FOR KASUMI-CHAN TOO!
I-I'M GOOD
WAIT, STOP!!

*T/N MOST OF THE TIME, ONLY LODGES AND INNS IN JAPAN OFFERS TABLE TENNIS

HMM?
WHAT IS THIS?
IF YOU SAY HOT BATHS AND YUKATA
OF COURSE THERE'S ALSO TABLE TENNIS!
WHAT ARE YOU SAYING-
THIS IS A BATH-HOUSE*!
THERE'S NO WAY THEY'LL HAVE



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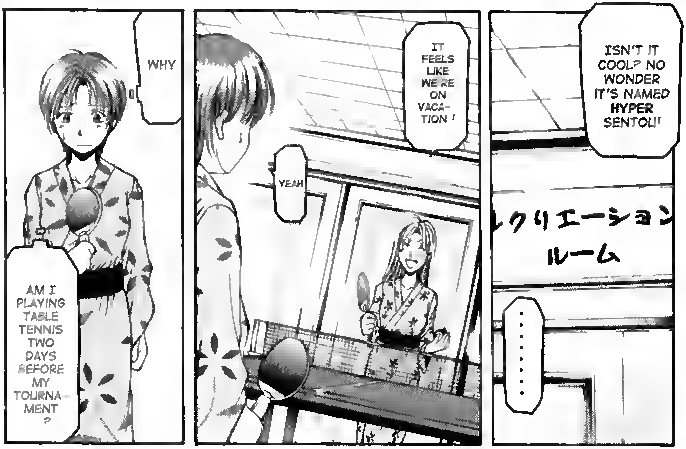
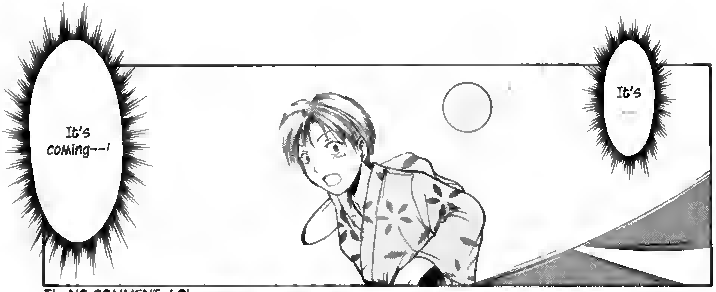

WHY
AM I PLAYING TABLE TENNIS TWO DAYS BEFORE MY TOURNAMENT?
IT FEELS LIKE WE'RE ON VACATION!
YEAH
ISN'T IT COOL? NO WONDER IT'S NAMED HYPER SENTOU!!
レクリエーション
ルーム
……

Table tennis .....?!
HUH?
Yuzuri-san is trying to give me some advice for the tourna-ment...?!
I.M SER-VING!
Maybe ...
.....
ゴクッ
TH-THANK YOU FOR LETTING ME STUDY!!
HUH?
コ"オオ:
The moment she holds the racket
Her eyes changed!
Kasumi's vision
If you look closely

PLEASE!!
ALRIGHT, LET'S START!
This is like a dream!
Being coached by the player I aspire to be like in (table" tennis...
カコン
THERE GOES!



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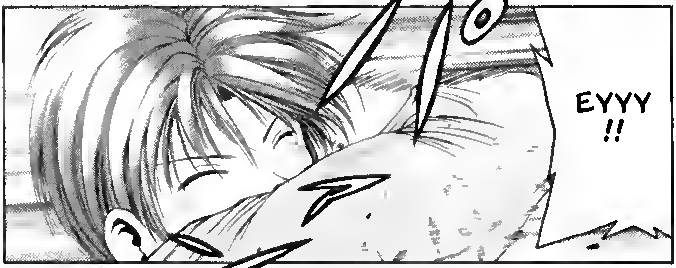
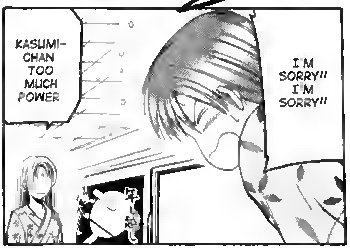
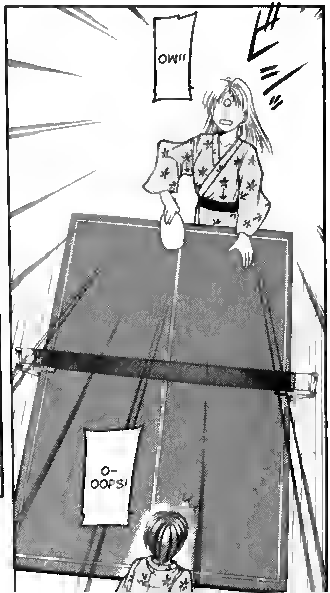
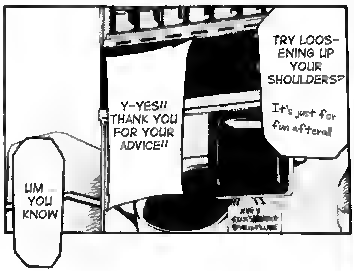
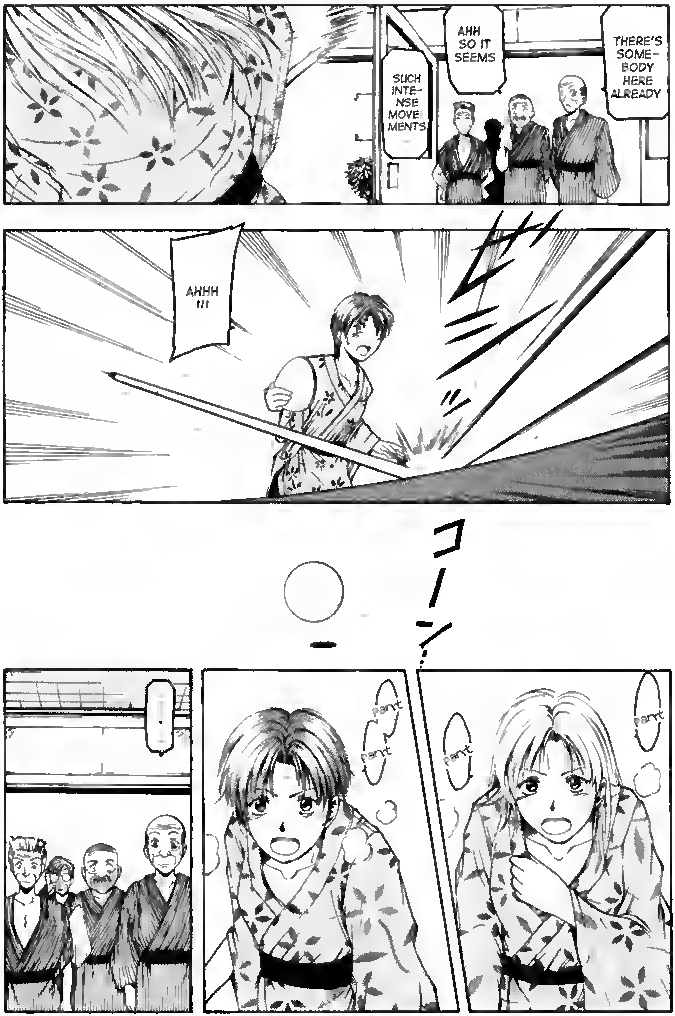








Recreation Room
MAN THAT WAS A GOOD BATH
HOW ABOUT SOME TABLE TENNIS GEN-SAN?
THAT'S A GOOD IDEA!
カコーン
カコーン
HMM?
パーン


THERE'S SOME-BODY HERE ALREADY
AHH SO IT SEEMS
SUCH INTE-NSE MOVE-MENTS
AHHH !!!
コーン
pant
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Y-YOUR GOOD
YUZURI-SAN
YOU'RE PRETTY GOOD YOURSELF KASUMI-CHAN
THIS IS OUR BOTH ADVANTAGE POINT
IT'S BEEN A WHILE SINCE I'VE HAD SUCH A HEATED MATCH
ME AS WELL.

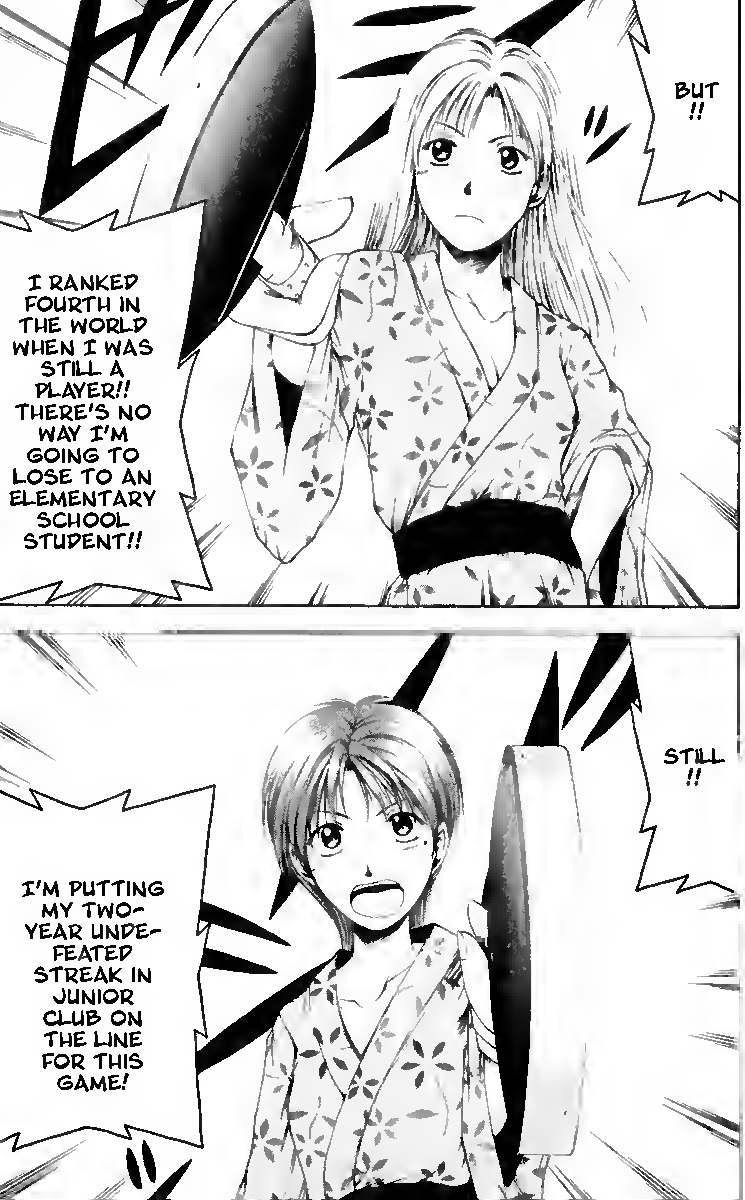

BUT !!
I RANKED FOURTH IN THE WORLD WHEN I WAS STILL A PLAYER!! THERE'S NO WAY I'M GOING TO LOSE TO AN ELEMENTARY SCHOOL STUDENT!!
STILL !!
I'M PUTTING MY TWO-YEAR UNDEFEATED STREAK IN JUNIOR CLUB ON THE LINE FOR THIS GAME!

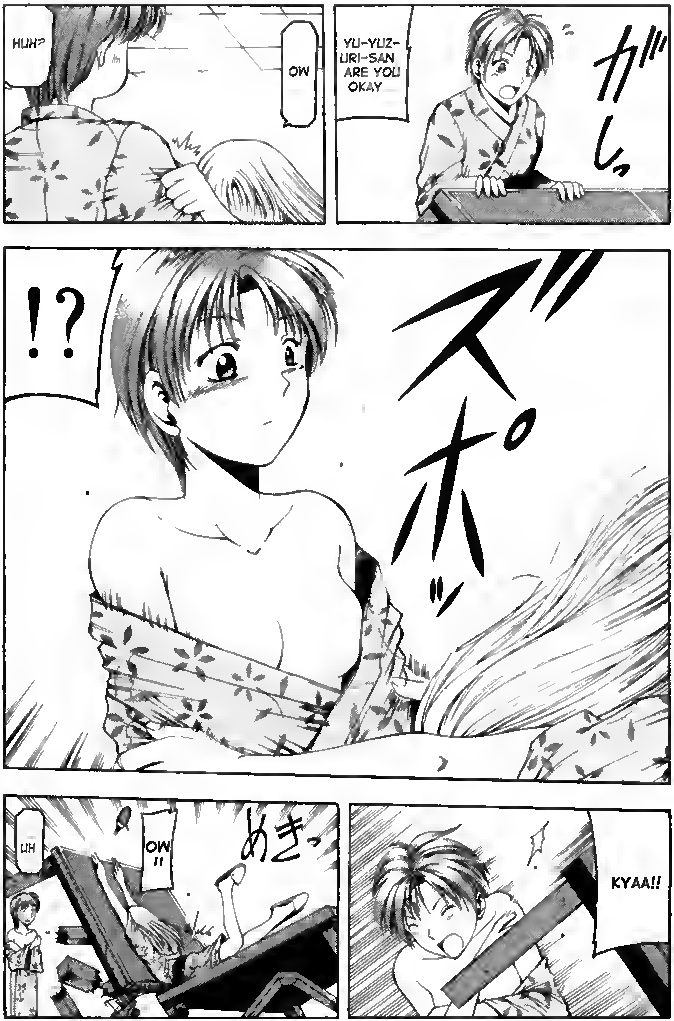
TABLE TENNIS PLAYERS!
YEAH IT LOOKS LIKE THESE TWO ARE PRETTY GOOD PLAYERS--
THIS LOOKS SERIOUS
I'M GOING TO MAKE THIS YOUR LAST ONE!
SECRET MOVE!!
As a baseline player
I will definitely return it!!
DROP SHOT
コン
AHH!! NOT FAIR !!

I... WILL NOT LOSE ~~~!!
YOU JUST DON'T KNOW WHEN TO GIVE UP, DO YOU--
KASUMI-CHAN!!
AH !!
...TSK!

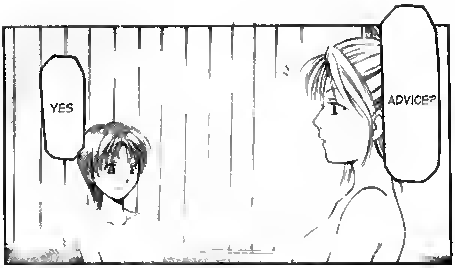
SHE SWITCHED HER RACKET HAND!!
OOOOH!!!

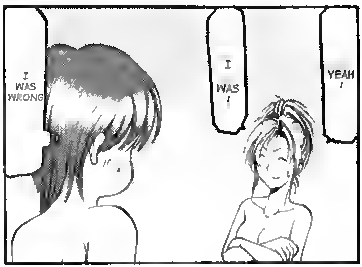
SMAAAAAAAAASH!!!
コーン
YOU'RE REALLY JAPAN'S NUMBER 1 TABLE TENNIS PLAYER!!
YOU'RE AMAZING LITTLE GIRL!!
TOO NAIVE---!!
HUH?!
キュッ

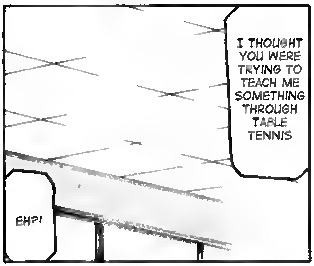
HUH?!
HUH?
OHH HHH~ ~~~~ !!
ドカッ
!!
めまい
ろろん

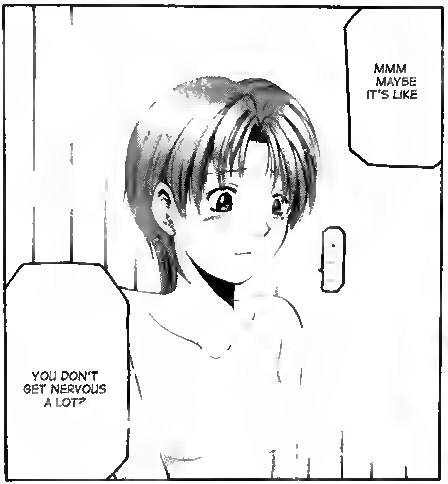

HUH?
OW
YU-YUZ-URI-SAN ARE YOU OKAY
カシ
!?
ズポッ
UH
OW!!
めきっ
KYAA!!

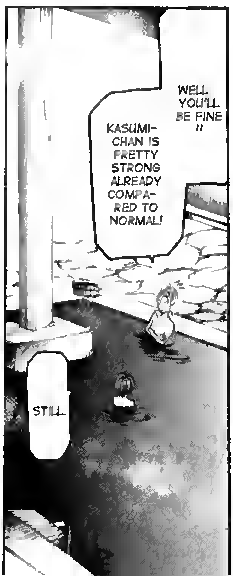
ガシャーッ
コトン
ARE YOU OKAY?
I THINK
THIS IS REALLY GOING TO HURT
WE SHOULD STOP
YEAH
LET'S GO TO THE HOT BATH ONE MORE
I'm sweating
OKAY

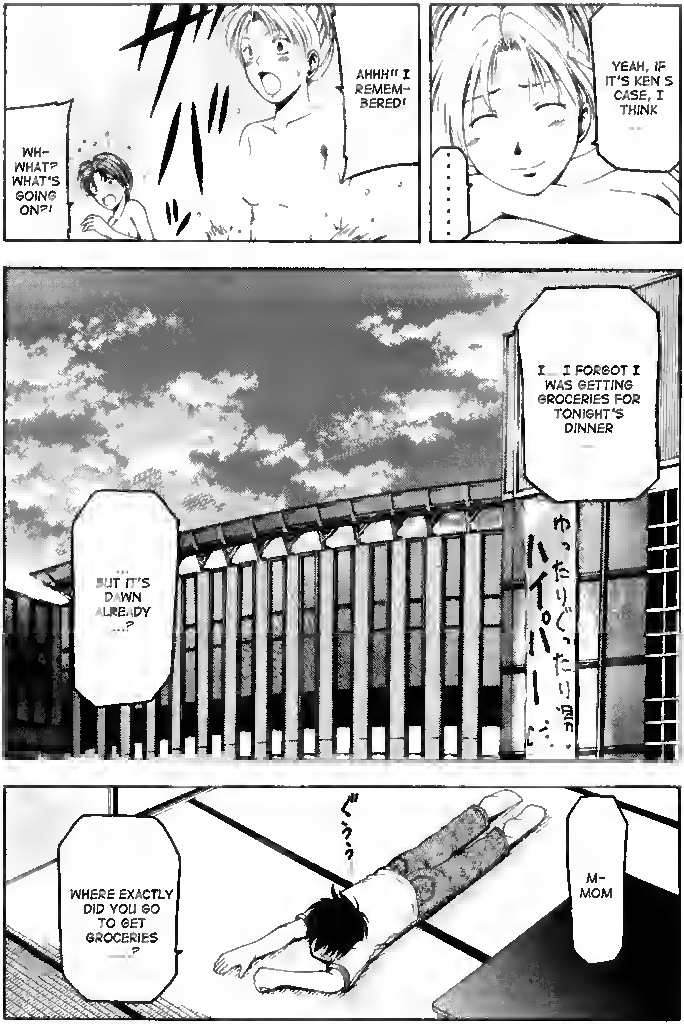

ADVICE?
YES


I WAS WRONG
I WAS!
YEAH!


I THOUGHT YOU WERE TRYING TO TEACH ME SOMETHING THROUGH TABLE TENNIS
EH?!

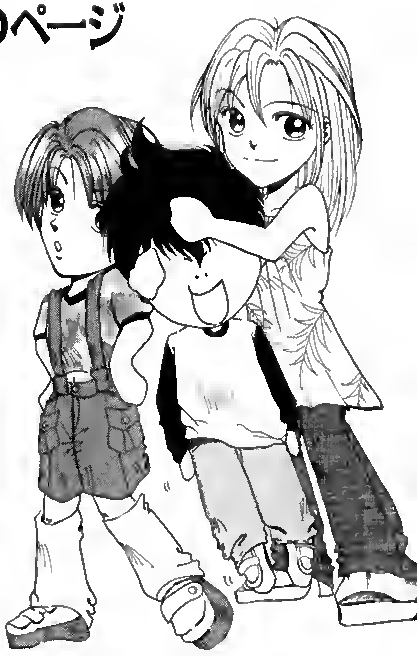

MMM MAYBE IT'S LIKE
YOU DON'T GET NERVOUS A LOT?


WELL, YOU'LL BE FINE !!
KASUMI-CHAN IS PRETTY STRONG ALREADY COMPA-RED TO NORMAL!
STILL


AHHH!! I REMEMBERED!
WH-WHAT? WHAT'S GOING ON?!
YEAH, IF IT'S KEN'S CASE, I THINK
I... I FORGOT I WAS GETTING GROCERIES FOR TONIGHT'S DINNER
やっぱりじゃんけんに負けてパシリ…
...BUT IT'S DAWN ALREADY ...?
M-MOM
ぐぅ...
WHERE EXACTLY DID YOU GO TO GET GROCERIES ...?

デザイナーさんのページ

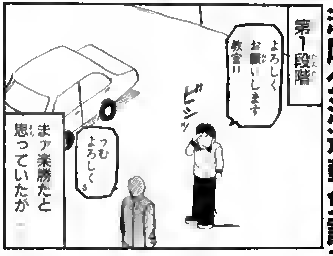
ダブルスに登場する多くの
キャラクター達が着ている服は，
ボクの友人で
元ファッション・アドバイザーの
リイモくん(ニックネーム)が
デザインしてくれました。
右のキャラをふくめ，
下に載っているのがその
デザインの一部です。
どのシーンで使われているか，
時間に余裕のある方は
探してみてください。
リイモくんの苦労がむくわれます。
ちなみに，まだ使っていない
服もまぎれています。

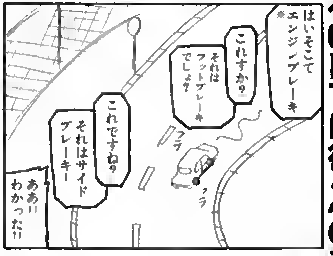


リイモ・ブランド

このTシャツはボクが
デザインしました。
リイモくんがよく描いてる
自画像なんですが
うろ覚えだったので
色々パーツがなくなってます。

巻末おまけマンガ"瀬尾公治運転免許をGETに行く"の巻





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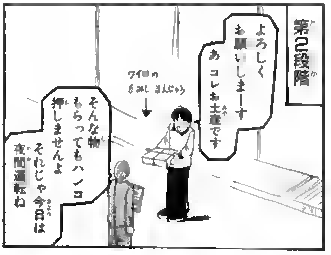

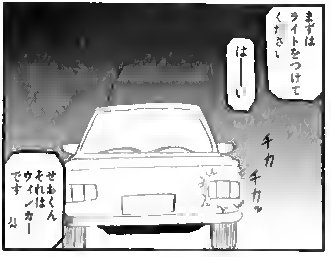

注 ノンノイクン イレです

次回・・・(ページがあれば)瀬尾公治が友人を車に乗せて「デッド・オア・デッド」の巻

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